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OLD SERIES—VOLUME 64.

## Murdered In Your Hospital

Robert E. Beddoe, M. D.

The following letter is quoted verbatim. Do not gather that this represents the grammar used by the average English-speaking Chinese. Indeed, most of them speak far more correctly than most Americans. But the letter is an example of literal translation from one language to another by use of bi-lingual dictionaries.

The letter is such a gem that I cannot refrain sharing it with friends in America; especially as it gives an insight into the work of the Stout Memorial Hospital.

April 5, 1943.

"My Dear Dr. and Mrs. Beddoe:

To separate and go away Stout Memorial Hospital, it was four years ago. None write any to you, I was shamefaced to see one's old friend, very willing God to bless you and your all remembrance.

I participate to the army and participate the fighting on south Kwangsi at Dec., 1939, and participate the second and thrice campaign of Chang Sha, too. Then, in all sorts dangerous, but God did not leave me.

I came home last winter. There is a Christian Yang Li Yung, his son to be murdered the calculus of the bladder. He wants to go to Stout Memorial Hospital to operation in June of this year. Because he is a poor Christian, wish Dr. Beddoe give him a kindness to decrease the operation expense.

That he will receive favour now and ever more.

Yours truly,

We are justly proud that this hospital continues its good work even after six years of devastating war, and in spite of an increase of operating costs of more than 2000 per cent over pre-war costs. This hospital is probably the best equipped and staffed of the whole southwest. It runs to capacity and its influence and reputation spreads and improves daily.

The hospital continues to be self-supporting with an annual turnover of more than a million Chinese standard dollars. You will rejoice with us that God continues to bless this, the largest hospital operated by our Foreign Mission Board, and that our opportunities continue, though present economic conditions are throwing the populace back into dangerous materialism.

That is to be expected. When the physical body is hungry the most important thing in the world is food. But when parents see their children dying from starvation they are tempted to forget or disregard all conventional codes of behavior.

God grant this war may soon terminate, for there is hardly an individual in the whole world who is not or will not be adversely affected. May the "Lights Go on Again" soon so the Light of the Gospel may have free course in the world.

Wuchow, May 7, 1943.

# The Baptist Record

"THY KINGDOM COME"

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## Concerning Board Members

Bryan Simmons

At the last meeting of the Convention, article eleven of the by-laws was amended by the insertion of the words, "No person shall hold membership on any one Board or Commission of the Convention continuously for more than three full terms." This amendment is to become effective at the end of the current term of any person now serving.

Upon request, I am venturing some explanations and suggestions concerning this change.

Associations nominate and the Convention elects the members of the Convention Board. Members of all Boards are elected for terms of three years except when selected to fill unexpired terms. The current terms of twenty-two members of the Convention Board expire this year. Only those of that number who have served continuously for three full terms (nine years) will be affected by the amendment.

Nominating committees of each of the twenty-two associations involved will need to inquire as to the length of time served by the member from that Association. The member himself will most likely know; but it would be well for the clerk to run back through his minutes and be able to inform the nominating committee.

The current terms of one-third of the membership of all other Boards and Commissions will expire at the next Convention; but this amendment will affect only those of that one-third who have served continuously for three full terms. Since Brother Evanson is out of the state, serving as chaplain, Brother B. W. Walker of Forest becomes chairman of the nominating committee for the Convention and I am confident that a request from him to our efficient secretary, Bro. W. E. Lee, will secure the necessary information concerning (Continued on Page Five)

## Chaplains Now Serve War Prisoners

Washington, D. C. (RNS)—American military successes in far flung theaters of war are bringing new duties to army chaplains—that of tending to the spiritual needs of prisoners of war.

The new assignment for chaplains has developed as a result primarily of the large number of prisoners taken in the North African campaign. It is anticipated, further, that the problem of providing for the religious welfare of prisoners of war will be highlighted at the conclusion of the campaign in Sicily.

As yet, little information is available as to the number of chaplains already assigned to "P W" camps, nor has policy yet been determined as to the number of men to be given into the charge of each chaplain.

According to Washington sources, it is presumed that qualifications for chaplains for prisoner of war work

will be the same as for other chaplains' duties, with the exception that fluency in the language of the prisoners will be a definite asset.

A circular letter recently issued by the chief of chaplains office reports as follows on the prisoner of war problem:

"Adequate and immediate provision is being made for the spiritual welfare of prisoners of war now being interned in this country. Army chaplains are being assigned to the camps which are scattered throughout the nation. Several thousand prisoners have already been received in the camps and thousands of additional prisoners are expected. The ministry of the chaplains will be similar to that followed in the stations of our armed forces. The terms of the Geneva Convention provide that human and considerate treatment shall be provided all prisoners of war."

## WHERE IS GOD'S STORE-HOUSE?

### PASTOR BUILDS ONE FOR CHURCH

By E. J. Isdell  
Pastor Arbor Baptist Church

Whoever heard of a country church owning and operating a store-house? I know a small country which operates a store-house for God—an actual, honest-to-goodness store-house, using its pastor as delivery boy and its personal worker of the Woman's Missionary Society as manager.

A few Sundays ago, the pastor of the Arbor Baptist Church of Pell City, Alabama, preached on God's store-house.

After the message he was asked where the store-house was. He explained as best he could that the church was the store-house, and the tithe should be given into the treasury of the church.

An elderly lady interrupted, reminding him that only money could be placed in the church treasury, and the Bible said, "Bring ye all the tithe." She was anxious to know where the store-house was for the remaining tithes.

Explaining that she made no money, but had chickens, eggs, meat, canned goods, and sewing that she could not easily convert into money, she challenged the church and its pastor to erect a store-house for other commodities, and she, with the aid of the other ladies, would fill it.

The pastor accepted the challenge; erected the store-house, and placed a "love-basket" beside the offering table. Each Sunday a "love-gift" is brought along with the cash offering to be used in helping the less fortunate people of the community. The results have been wonderful.

Within less than one month, less than one hundred active members have distributed \$127.73 worth of love-gifts, and still have a supply on hand.

They have rented a house for a widow with five children and have furnished it for her. They have stocked her wardrobe and pantry with clothes and groceries, furnished her with coal and stove wood, and are sending her children to church and school.

They have also helped an old man and his wife who have suffered severely from illness and death in their home, by supplying them with \$49.55 worth of needed provisions.

One remarkable thing about the project is that the cash offerings of the church have increased rather than decreased. Last year's records show that all gifts to everything, for twelve months, amounted to \$780.14; for the first four months of this new associational year, gifts total \$2,708.66 for all purposes.

Last year the church had preaching services only half-time, now it is on a full-time basis. It is one of the full-time country churches in an association with only five full-time churches. The store-house is a boon to our church.

Country churches have been told so often that they are not able to do things that they believe it themselves. If we will let our legs help our hearts answer our prayers for success, God will provide a way.

Our rural churches should arise, claiming God's promises and our store-house of God would have more power in this world of confusion.—Southern Baptist Home Missions.

## WE ARE GOING OUT THIS YEAR

Lawson H. Cooke

The following resolution was adopted by the Annual Southwide Brotherhood Conference at Ridgecrest, August 6, 1943.

"The Baptist Brotherhood of the South and associated Brotherhoods in the states pledge our complete support to Dr. J. E. Dillard, Director of Promotion, in his effort for a debtless denomination in 1943.

"The Brotherhoods throughout the Southern Baptist Convention will place special emphasis upon this effort on Layman's Day, Sunday, October 17, with the hope that enough cash will be added to the Hundred Thousand Club gifts to accomplish the complete liquidation of our Southwide indebtedness by the end of the year."

## Sparks & Splinters

From an exchange we learn that Dr. E. H. Westmoreland, native of Booneville, Ouachita College graduate and one-time pastor at Monticello, recently celebrated his fifth anniversary as pastor of South Main church, Houston, Texas. In these years there have been 1,751 additions, 420 for baptism. (Editor's Note: Dr. Westmoreland was formerly pastor at Leeland.)

There is a monument in Chesterfield, Va., on the site of an old country jail which once imprisoned six Baptist preachers because they stood for absolute freedom of worship. This white marble monument was erected by the Baptists of Virginia, but Baptists everywhere are a living monument to our principal of separation of church and state.—Watchman-Examiner.

A man at the front received a nagging letter from his wife, and wrote in reply: "Please don't write me any more letters. Let me enjoy this war in peace."—Exchange.

**Isola:** Rev. J. B. Smith, Hollandale, was with us in our meeting the first week in August. This is the second consecutive year Bro. Smith has been in the meeting at Isola. The Lord poured out His Spirit. There were three additions by letter. At the close of the last service Sunday morning, August 8th, we had the privilege of baptizing six who had professed faith in Christ. Bro. Smith is a great spirit and a great preacher.—Leroy Boland.

The many friends of Cary T. Vincent, pastor Sandersville, Ga., will be interested to know that total contributions to the church for the past year amounted to \$12,439.34. \$4,400.79 was for Mission causes and \$2,672.20 was for the pastorium fund. He began his sixth year on August 1.

**Bombardier Lieutenant J. D. "Red" Franks,** Jr., of Columbus, outstanding football star and president of the student body at Mississippi College in 1940-41, took part in the first big raid on Rome, according to word received by friends in Columbus. Lt. Franks, son of Dr. J. D. Franks, pastor of the Columbus First Baptist Church, has been overseas for a couple of months and is now stationed in North Africa. Before going to Africa, Lt. Franks' squadron operated from England.

**Leroy Boland of Isola** has been called to serve Mantee Baptist Church for full time.

**Pastor L. L. Nicholson** writes that they recently closed a meeting at Ferndale church, Washington county. There were 10 additions. This is a new church organized in 1941. They have built a new church house. The pastor did the preaching.

**Mrs. J. M. Frasier**, Sunday school secretary at James, Mississippi, writes: "We would appreciate the donation of a few song books entitled 'Glad Tidings.' We have a few on hand but need some more."

It was a great privilege to be with Pastor Johnnie Laney and the church at Beulah, Choctaw county, in their revival meeting recently. There was evidence of a genuine revival in the hearts of the Christian people. Five professed faith in Christ and five united with the church by letter. Bro. Laney is greatly loved by his people.—Leroy Boland.

**Rev. H. D. Lindenmayer**, formerly pastor at Meridian, and professor of History at William Jewell College, and a former graduate of Mississippi College, is available for supply work in his native state of Mississippi. He can be reached at 1226 Court Avenue, Memphis, Tenn.

Glenwood Taylor has accepted the call of Enon church, Winston county. He writes that there were two additions at their revival which was held recently. They also adopted a budget system. (It is also an EF church.—Editor.)

**Evangelist W. A. Greene** was with the Mt. Zion church in Franklin county last week. Though they have no pastor, yet the Lord gave them fourteen people during the meeting. Twelve for baptism and two by letter. He is this week with Dr. T. W. Greene at Old Strong Hope church in Copiah county in a great revival.

From the Western Recorder we learn that Joe Gambrell Canzoneri, Lebanon Junction, was commissioned an ensign in the Naval Reserve Air Corps at Corpus Christi in the middle of June, and is doing advanced work in Jacksonville, Fla. He is a son of Pastor and Mrs. Joe Canzoneri of Lebanon Junction. (Editor's Note: Pastor Canzoneri formerly lived and worked in Mississippi.)

**Dr. Wade H. Bryant**, pastor of the Barton Heights church, Richmond, for the past 14 years, has accepted the pastorate of University church, Baltimore. The University church is in front of the campus of the Johns Hopkins University and is in the center of a great residential area in Baltimore. Dr. John Falconer Fraser was former pastor.

**Finley W. Tinnin, Jr.**, son of Editor and Mrs. F. W. Tinnin of the Baptist Message, Shreveport, La., has enrolled in the chaplain's training school at Harvard University. Lieut. Beverly Tinnin, another son, and Miss Jeanette Craber were married July 1. He is in the Marine Air Corps and is located at Daytona Beach, Fla.—Western Recorder.

**Dr. George W. Truett**, Dallas, Texas, was with Louie D. Newton at the Druid Hills church of Atlanta, Ga., for the dedication of their building on July 4, preaching each morning at the church and each evening at the Municipal Auditorium. John D. Hoffman led the music.

Daleville Baptist Church reports a good Vacation Bible school recently with an average attendance of 37. An offering of \$7.10 was given for missions.

**A. V. Washburn** of the Sunday School Board has been commissioned an Ensign by the Navy Department and is awaiting his call to active duty.

The Executive Board (of Kentucky Baptists) at its meeting July 13, authorized Sec. J. W. Black and a special committee to execute the contract by which the Educational Building of Broadway Baptist Church will be purchased for the offices of the various departments of the Baptist organization in the state and a printing plant for the Western Recorder. This is indeed a great forward move and brings to us a building of which all can justly be proud, and which will provide adequate quarters for the workers for all the years immediately ahead.—Western Recorder.

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Blue Mountain College annuity bonds pay from 2½ to 7%.

**H. J. Logan**, pastor of Duncan church, was with Pastor Guy Reedy at Satartia. There were 29 additions.

**Rev. Daniel A. Hogan**, former pastor at Purvis, has completed his chaplain's training and is now stationed at Keesler Field.

**Dr. H. C. Bass**, former pastor of First church, Meridian, now pastor of First church of Bessemer, Alabama, had T. C. Crume of Florence, Kentucky, recently in a good revival. R. S. Crawford, pastor of Van Winkle Baptist Church, Jackson, led the singing. There were 14 additions. Dr. Bass speaks in highest terms of Brethren Crawford and Crume.

During July, Temple Baptist Church, Ruston, Louisiana, received 66 new members, making a total membership of 1,265. The offerings for the same month amounted to \$1,976.25. Never have larger crowds attended the services than now. Temple has a Standard Sunday school. Charles L. McKay, pastor. (Dr. McKay was formerly pastor at Van Winkle and Flora.)

One outstanding story of courage on the part of chaplains comes to us from the Watchman-Examiner. Four chaplains were in a convoy en route to Europe when their ship was torpedoed. There were not enough life belts to go around, so they gave theirs to soldiers. All four are missing, one of them being the son of Daniel A. Poling, pastor of Baptist Temple, Philadelphia, Pa.—Baptist Message.

**The Hon. Bert Fish**, United States minister to Portugal, who died last week, left a \$25,000 bequest for Stetson University. Mr. Fish received his law degree at Stetson in 1902. He also left some money to build a hospital in DeLand. We congratulate Stetson on this handsome gift.—Florida Baptist Witness. (Editor's Note: Some good Mississippi Baptist should take note.)

**Dr. George W. Truett**, who planned to be in West Texas last week for his annual cowboy meeting, is reported ill in Taylor Hospital, Dallas, Tex., with acute rheumatic pains. His millions of admirers and friends will be in prayer for his early and complete recovery.—Word and Way.

Northern Baptists are planning to hold their regular convention in 1944, according to The Watchman-Examiner. The CIO is meeting this fall in Philadelphia. Southern Baptists can and should meet during 1944! The Southern Baptist Convention was "deferred."

The following excerpt from a letter received from Dr. B. B. Hilbun, pastor of Highland Baptist Church, Meridian, may be of interest to our constituency: "I cannot write this word without adding something that I know will be of interest to you and with all connected with Blue Mountain College. It is a word of testimony concerning our new church secretary, Miss Dorothy Wallace, who was graduated from Blue Mountain this spring. She is proving to be a wonderful helper and is doing a great work in our church. We are extremely happy that she has come back home to work with us than to have gone to some other church. She is a hard worker, is a genial spirit, and is proving to be a good leader among our young people. You might pass the word on to Dr. Lowrey of our good fortune."

—Frank E. Skilton.

Miss Mary Willard Currin has been elected executive secretary of the Woman's Missionary Union of North Carolina. She has served as the young people's secretary in the W. M. U. Department in that state since 1935.

**Indianapolis, Ind. (RNS)**—A united, county-wide, block-by-block visitation campaign to reach more than 29,000 new residents will be launched in October by all Protestant churches in the Indianapolis area. The county has been divided into 16 districts, and from each of these districts three representatives—a minister, a layman, and a laywoman—will be appointed to form a general committee to work in the actual visitation. Each block will have two "visitors," preferably members of different churches. These visitors will be trained in a special school before the campaign starts. The campaign, it was stated here, is designed to "enlist newcomers into the churches and church schools, to renew the religious life of those already members, and to prepare the way for continuous evangelistic and spiritual culture effort through the year ahead."

**Nashville, Tenn. (RNS)**—Membership in the National Association of the Free Will Baptist Church has increased three per cent over 1941 to a total of 200,000, it was reported here at the body's annual convention.

**Stockholm (By Wireless) (RNS)**—The most recent instance of interference with religious meetings by Quisling followers in Norway is reported from Brevik, where three Quislings forced members of a home missions organization to listen to pro-Nazi speeches. The intruders, brandishing revolvers, were said to have forced their way into the chapel where a meeting was being held and threatened to arrest any member who refused to listen to them. They also warned that attempts to prevent them from speaking would be followed by confiscation of the church property.

**R. A. Morris**, pastor of Newton Baptist Church, was in a good meeting at Cross Roads, Newton county, with Pastor O. R. Mosley. There were eight additions.

As the climax to the revival held at Elam Baptist Church in Clarke county, the membership voted to adopt the tithe as the plan for financing the church. The revival was conducted by Rev. W. L. Compere, of Meridian, who was instrumental in leading the church to adopt the plan. The tithe has now been in operation for one month and the church has already received into its treasury about \$140. Rev. L. T. Dyess is the pastor.

**H. D. Hawkins**, pastor of New Harmony and Ebenezer Baptist churches, writes of good revivals with Enlistment Pastor E. D. Estes doing the preaching. There were 17 additions at New Harmony and eight at Ebenezer.

**R. A. Morris**, pastor of Newton Baptist Church, was in a rural meeting with J. L. Boyd, supply pastor at Bethel Baptist Church, Newton county. There was one addition.

**Napoleon Baptist Church**, Pearl River county, will have D. W. Nix of Poplarville with them in the annual revival the week of August 15.

**M. C. Whitten**, pastor of Hernando First church, was the visiting preacher at Eudora with Pastor E. C. Norton. There were 25 additions.

## NEWS and VIEWS

By D. A. McCALL, Executive Secretary-Treasurer  
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board  
Box 530, Jackson, 105, Mississippi

**Evangelism — State, Home, and Foreign Missions — Cooperative Program — Now Club (State Debts) — 100,000 Club (S. B. C. Debts) — Baptist Record — B. T. U. — Sunday School — W. M. U. — Brotherhood — B. S. U. — Retirement Plan — Seminaries — Christian Education — Hospitals — Orphanage — Pastoral Aid — Church Building Aid — Chinese Work — Negro Work — Indian Work — Literature — Enlistment Pastors — Service Men's Department — Historical Society — Wills and Bequests Activities — W. M. U. Training School — Bookkeeping.**

## I

The liquor forces are at it again. They are asking for grain for liquor making, with our armies in the various fields needing food, and a shortage on the home front. It is an old game with them.

Read what Bennett said of conditions in Civil War days:

**OUTBREAKING EPIDEMIC OF DRUNKENNESS, GAMBLING, LEWDNESS AND PROFANITY:** There are four great evils which always and everywhere go together—drunkenness, gambling, lewdness and profanity."

"It was a melancholy fact," says Dr. Bennett, . . . "that many men entered the army the avowed enemies of all intoxicating drinks, who, alas! very soon fell victims to the demon of the bottle." Thousands of men who did not drink at home, accepted the general, fallacious and fatal opinion of the day that a soldier could not endure the hardships and exposures of the camp and battlefield without whiskey. It was held to be a sort of a cure-all for all the ills of the bodies and minds of men. Most of the officers drank and encouraged the soldiers in this and the concomitant vices of gambling, lewdness and profanity. Hence the whole army was soon engulfed in a veritable maelstrom of evil.

On the same point Dr. J. Wm. Jones remarks: "But there came, soon after the first battle of Manassas, and during the long inactivity which followed it, a period of demoralization which was unequalled by any witnessed during the war. Our people generally thought that this great victory had virtually ended the war—that before the spring England and France would recognize the Confederacy, and the North would be forced to acknowledge our independence. Many people at home quit praying and went to speculating in the necessities of life, coining money out of the sufferings of soldiers and people, and the demoralization soon extended to the army. The vices common to most armies ran riot through our camps. Drunkenness became so common as to scarcely excite remark, and many who were temperate, and some who were even total abstinence leaders at home, fell into the delusion that drinking was excusable, if not necessary, in the army."

**EVIL EXAMPLE OF UNGODLY AND IMMORAL OFFICERS:** "The prevalence of vice (drunkenness, gambling, lewdness and profanity) in our camps," declared a notable man of the day, "is attributable to the officers themselves. By far the larger number of officers of our Southern army are both profane and hard drinkers, where they are not drunkards." An officer who had visited many portions of the army gave it as his opinion that the defeat of the Confederate army in every case but one, during the early days of the war, was due to whiskey. And a distinguished general was led to declare that if the South was finally vanquished the epitaph should read: 'Died of Whiskey.'

"This was one of the giant evils. Hundreds all over the land, moved by an unholy desire for gain, engaged in the manufacture of ardent spirits. It was estimated that in one county in Virginia, and that not one of the largest, the distillers, in one year, consumed 31,000 bushels of grain, enough to furnish 600 families with food for the same period. While the commissioners, appointed by the court of that county to procure grain to feed the families of soldiers, could not purchase enough for that purpose. The smoke of fifty distilleries darkened the air; meanwhile, the cries of the poor mothers and helpless children went up in vain for bread."

"The same was the case in other States. In one district in South Carolina 150 distilleries were in operation. A gentleman in North Carolina said he could count from one hill-top the smoke of fourteen distilleries. One of the Richmond papers declared that a single distillery in that city made at one period of the war \$4,000 a day.

"In Augusta county, Virginia, it was estimated that 50,000 bushels of grain were consumed monthly by the distilleries in operation there. A writer on this subject estimated that in the second year of the war 1,600 barrels, or 64,000 gallons of ardent spirits, of the worst sort, were daily manufactured in the Confederate states."

**GENERAL DEMORALIZATION OF CIVIL LIFE IN THE SOUTH:** "History teaches that periods of great national calamity are marked by great public demoralization. Our war (of the Confederacy)," says Bennett, "gave powerful witness to this sad truth. Worldly-mindedness, a vaunting pride, relaxation of morals, self-seeking, desperate gambling, hard-heartedness and a host of other evils flourished amidst the woes and wants and consuming sorrows of the war."

**HEARTLESS PROFITEERING AND INORDINATE GREED FOR GAIN:** Here again we must let Dr. Bennett paint the dark picture: ". . . But perhaps the most prominent, and in view of the conditions of the country, the most appalling evil was the eager greed of gain which fostered a widespread and cruel spirit of extortion.

"If there ever was a time when the apostolic warning, that 'the love of money is the root of all evil,' received a full confirmation among any people, it was in those mournful days of the Confederacy when, in all the avenues of trade, and even close on the rear of our war-stricken, but unfaltering army, like a dreadful portent, the extortioners sat, croaking day and night their horse-leech cry, 'Give! Give!'

"All classes, all trades, all professions, and both sexes, alas! seemed infected

by the foul contagion. So universal was the practice of cutting out the 'pound of flesh' that whenever an exception occurred it was thought worthy of special notice in all the public prints, and was referred to in the pulpits as an instance of one, at least, in Israel who had not bowed the knee to Baal.

"The evils which hung like an incubus on the South, and finally, with the help of heavy Northern legions, laid her banners in the dust, and her hopes in the grave, were faithfully portrayed by many patriotic citizens who watched the progress of events."—Arr. by Dr. Alldredge.

—(From a narrative of the Great Revival in the Southern Armies.)

## II

Some of our churches are feeling the "pinch" of a preacher shortage. The shortage was much greater in Civil War days. Here is what Bennett says of that day:

**General Declension and Demoralization of the Work of the Churches at Home:** "Many churches," one writer notes, "are vacant, their ministers have gone to the war. Most of our Sunday schools are disorganized, and but few, I fear, will be revived until the war closes. Intemperance and profanity abound, and are fearfully on the increase. Religion is at the lowest ebb. Such a thing as conversion of souls seems scarcely to enter into the mind of either clergy or laity."—Bennett.

## III

At this writing we have just come back from seeing The Baptist Record run on the press. Twenty thousand an hour, with reduced speed.

Messrs. Cashman, Barclift, and their helpers were courteous as always.

We were introducing some of our new helpers. One said she could sleep better now without worrying over someone sitting and folding all those papers.

We were happy to be able to attend two revival services at Oakdale, Rankin county. Rev. R. A. Oliver, Fayette, preaching and Rev. Tom Ashby leading the singing. The congregations were good. One addition. The pastor has been away in the hospital for a year and the folks are carrying on nobly.

Brother Oliver preached two good sermons on "What Sin Does," and "The Cross of Jesus." Brother Ashby is an excellent song leader.

First church, Jackson, has a good prayer meeting group right on through the summer.

We were privileged to visit the Clinton Internment Camp soon after the first group of war prisoners arrived. A business-like and kindly atmosphere pervades the scene.

Crystal Springs had two real congregations—house filled even on a hot August Sunday. The people were in fine spirits. Great revival just closed. They appreciate Pastor Odle and his family. Taught a class of 42 men. Pastor and Mrs. George Gay, and Pastor Sandifer were welcomed visitors. Fine spirits.

Pastor Varnado and people, Fernwood, are happy over reworking building, adding rooms, and ordaining three deacons.

Such events, churches and church leadership, suggest some of the reasons for Mississippi Baptist advances.

## IV

Would you like to read thrilling stories regarding the concession and work of such men as Billy Sunday, Mel Trotter, Phil Hadley and other notables among the saints? Zondervan gives us just that in "The Pacific Garden Mission," called "A Doorway to Heaven," and written by Henry Price. Price \$1.25.

Carl F. H. Henry gives us another volume via Zondervan, this time in practical church promotion. The title is "Successful Church Publicity." Price \$2.00.

"How to Put Your Church School Across," by Miller is a new volume from Zondervan Press. Some chapter titles are: "Marks of a Growing School," "Grasp and Grip," "Get Action, Mr. Superintendent," "Winning Through as Teachers," etc.

"Increasing Church Attendance," is a Zondervan book in which every preacher will be interested. The author, Dr. Cage, discusses the need for an increase, suggests ways in which an increase may be attained, and altogether inspires hope in those who would go forward.

Our own Dr. Millard Jenkins has brought forth a group of prophetic sermons under the title "Anchored Till Morning." The messages are spiritual, unique, comforting! Some chapter titles are "The Christian's Anchor," "The Son of Satan," "The Great Devourer," and "Our Friends in Heaven."

"Ken Captures a Foreign Agent," is another thriller in the series by Basil Miller, Editor of the Sunday School Digest. Price 60c.

We have had pastors in various sections of the state to thank us for calling their attention to helpful books. We are happy whenever we may render a helpful service to our brethren in Christ.

## V

"Flaming Fagots" by Rosalee Mills Appleby is just off the Broadman press. Some of the "Fagots" are "Courage," "Character," "Fragrance," "Love," "Vista," etc. The flaming paragraphs are off the altar of a great missionary heart.

Have you read "The Robe"—a current best seller? The title is taken from the robe worn by and taken from Jesus.

Have you read "Splendor of God"? It is the story of the Judsons in best romance.

Have you failed to read "Youth Makes a Choice"? It splendidly analyzes many youth problems.

You will not want to miss "Borden of Yale," if you have not yet read it.

Our young and old may be fired to noble purpose through reading good literature—along with the Best Book of All—THE BIBLE!

You may order from your own Book Store.

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The wave of evangelistic and missionary interest spreads. Pastor W. L. Day, Louisville, has just been in the office. He is interested in an Associational Missionary and Bible teacher over his way. We leave it to him and other local leaders to announce plans. The idea is scriptural and the need real. Brother Day is another of our very fine, constructive, spiritual pastors. We wish Win-

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### THE PLACE AND POWER OF THE ASSOCIATION

Without daring to discredit any of our organizations or work, we would at the beginning of another associational season, impress upon our readers the importance of our associations. Unless it be the local church, no part of our denominational organization is so packed with potency and power than the associations. But the association reaches more people than either of these. Very few of our associations have less than 200 people in attendance; many have far more. **If the average is 200, then the 72 associations in Mississippi will have a total minimum attendance of 14,400 people. We doubt if our state convention averages 1,000 per year.**

While some churches push or support none, or at best a few of our denominational objects, the association usually finds time to hear about all.

**The association is closer to the people than our other conventions. It is closer in distance and closer in feeling. Many people with good ideas about the work, who are timid in our conventions, feel free to speak out at the association.**

**It is closer because it can deal more intimately with local needs and situations. It is closer because it affords state and Southwide workers an opportunity to get acquainted with the front line workers and just plain Baptists.**

**It is closer because it affords an opportunity, and often the only one, for many to become acquainted with the work beyond the local church. In Mississippi the majority of our churches are quarter-time churches, and no quarter or half-time pastor can properly present all the objects and have enough preaching time left. We know of many instances where just one person at an association caught a vision of the needs of our work and went back to their church and helped lead the church to greater accomplish-**

ments.

The association is closer because it enables each church to report its own work and to compare its achievements with the achievements of other churches. This often results in added efforts upon the part of some churches. They see what nearby churches have done, and decide that they can do likewise.

The association has no authority over churches; every Baptist is a democracy within itself. No outside person, persons, or organization can exercise any authority over a Baptist church. Messengers are elected by the churches. These messengers compose the association. They can only counsel and plan. Churches may, and usually do, abide by the decisions, plans and programs which their messengers and the messengers of other churches in the association adopt. But they do it voluntarily and not because anyone forces them to do so.

The boundaries of our associations are likewise in the hands of the churches. A small number or a large of churches voluntarily band themselves together for mutual good. In Mississippi the George County Association is composed of the five Baptist churches in that county. This is the smallest number of churches in any association in the state. The largest is the Calhoun County Association, with forty churches.

In view of the power which our associations exert, and the large number of people and churches touched, and because churches are free to accept or reject the actions of the association, much time and thought should be given to preparing a program that will inform, inspire and energize those so fortunate as to attend our associational meetings.

Dr. B. W. Spillman, one of our strongest denominational leaders, writing on "The District Association," in *Charity and Children* (North Carolina) tells of an "experiment" the association in which he lives and of which he is moderator, is making. The first thing they did, he says, was to decide on a one-day meeting instead of two days—because the second day has scarcely a "corporal's guard" in attendance.

Second, they eliminated the introductory sermon—"Why should one-fourth of the time of the association be taken to hear what every person in the body hears or may hear every month, and, if they wish to do so, hear every Sunday?"

Third, no reports are read except that of the executive committee—"Why should good time be taken for some brother to read a well-prepared (perhaps) report on Home Missions, Orphanages, etc., when he does not know any more about it than any other messenger in the group? And why use valuable space in the minutes and spend, therefore, the Lord's mon-

ey for a thing which is read by practically no one except the clerk, the printer and the man who wrote it?"

A good association in the words of Arthur Flake "Doesn't just happen." It takes planning, promoting and work and more work. Much of this must be done by the moderator. Some few moderators say they don't lead out in preparing programs and promoting their association for fear of criticism. While they may be honest in their attitude, we rather prefer to be criticized for doing SOMETHING rather than be criticized for doing NOTHING.

We believe the best persons in the association should be asked either to report or speak on the various subjects. We remember program committees putting people on a program, "So they will come." That is expensive attendance. And people should be used who "practice what they preach." Recently a pastor told us that he declined to make a report on "The Brotherhood" because he didn't have a Brotherhood in his church. He was exactly right. One of the drier speeches we ever heard at an association was a very earnest and passionate Foreign Mission plea by a pastor whose churches never had during his pastorate given anything to Foreign (or any other kind) Missions.

Our chief concern now is that our associations are so planned as to get the maximum results from the meetings. Every messenger should go home a better Baptist, better prepared to promote the things that need promoting, and Kingdom builders with a vision.

As our associations meet let everyone concerned see that the people who come are fed and not fooled, helped and not hindered. It is foolish and wasteful as well as detrimental to Kingdom affairs to allow messengers to come to an association, leaving their work or household duties, and then get nothing worthwhile and go back to their churches without any enlarged vision or any added determination to go forward.

### ADVICE TO VOTERS

On August 24 the voters of Mississippi will vote for all officers who were not nominated in the first primary. These officers from Governor on down will have much to do with shaping Mississippi policies not only for the four years they serve but on into the years after their terms have expired.

The Baptist Record is interested in anything that affects Mississippi. For Mississippi prosperity means Baptist prosperity. Anything that promises good for Mississippi also promises good for Mississippi Baptists.

We are not in politics nor is it our purpose to take part in political campaigns unless it is a question of right or wrong, but we do have the right to urge our readers to be sure that those

for whom they vote will stand for the best after they are elected.

We therefore urge our readers not to be beguiled by sweet words and empty promises. Just as intuition has proved worthless to Hitler, so will it be worthless to Mississippi voters. When you vote try to use your vote to help nominate those of good character, proven honesty and ability for the office sought.

If you favor law enforcement, vote for the one most likely to enforce the law. Previous law breakers or lax enforcers of the law are not likely to change after election.

If you favor the prohibition of whiskey and all its consorts, don't vote for an old soak or for one who is likely to take the line of least resistance.

In other words, stop, look and listen before you vote.

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### Selected Editorial

Each week we will publish what we consider one of the best editorials coming to our attention.—Editor.

### RELIGION AT THE PEACE TABLE WOULD NOT BE OUT OF ORDER

"A letter signed by William Montgomery Bennett of Woodbury, originally printed in 'The Churchman' of New York, deserves careful reading.

"Mr. Bennett is offering us a new idea. He points out that at every peace conference advice is sought and taken from experts and consultants in every field—except religion. He proposes that at the next peace conference all governments join in setting up a religious committee representing the major faith of every country to function as an advisory body, to have representatives seated at the peace table, and to present to the conference the moral and religious aspects of the questions considered.

"The question he raises is whether civilized men can plan a proper peace treaty while ignoring the basis upon which civilization rests.

"Except for a few insane militarists and imperialists who are trying to revise jungle law, the whole world hopes for a durable peace. A generation ago the world thought for a while the dream of all ages had been realized. This nation and all nations are still hoping. Even our enemies want perpetual peace—on their own terms.

"Perhaps Mr. Bennett is right. Perhaps the past mistake has been that statesmen have quite humanly concentrated on military and material problems and thus written their peace treaties with the sword. If there is a better way, let's try and find it. If Mr. Bennett has found a key to the future, let's examine it closely and see whether it fits."

There is food for thought in the above editorial from the Waterbury Republican. "From a purely practical standpoint a peace made not alone by the political representatives of the nations but also under the eye and with the aid of the outstanding religious leaders of those nations will have greater and more whole-hearted acceptance throughout the world," in (Continued on Page Five)

## THE BAPTIST RECORD

## FIRST CHURCH GRENADA CONTRIBUTES OVER \$1,100 TO BLUE MOUNTAIN ENDOWMENT

The attached copy of excerpts from Brother Wiley's letter of July 26 will readily make it possible for you to understand what a source of inspiration it was to all of us at Blue Mountain. On Sunday, August 1, the Grenada church donated \$1000 to the Endowment and I understand this has since been increased to over \$1100. A letter from Brother Wiley, dated August 11, states: "I regard Blue Mountain College as the outstanding young women's college in my acquaintance. I consider it the chief asset of Mississippi Baptists."—Frank E. Skilton.

Dr. Lawrence Lowrey,  
Blue Mountain College,  
Blue Mountain, Miss.

Brethren:

... We are having a service next Sunday morning, August 1st, at which time we hope to secure a good offering for Blue Mountain. We hope it will amount to \$1000, and we are working toward that end.

In February 1941, we made plans looking forward to being out of debt by 1956. We made bonds payable in fifteen years. To our immense joy, however, we are out of debt today, just two and a half years since entering upon the building of our new church. Rejoice with us. God has led us in a mighty way.

This is such a great achievement, under God, that we are using the hour next Sunday morning to praise God for His goodness to us. There will be no sermon. Just a few short talks by several laymen and ladies. Then we will submit the cause of Blue Mountain College to the membership, asking them to give to this cause as an expression of Thanksgiving to God for what He has enabled us to do for ourselves in the building and paying for our new church house.

Fraternally yours,

Glen Eric Wiley.

(Excerpts from letter of Brother Wiley, July 26.)

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## DR. BOWEN BEGINS FOURTH YEAR AT CALVARY CHURCH

Today we pause to thank God for our pastor and his family as we honor them on the beginning of their fourth year of service with us. During Dr. Bowen's pastorate he has led the membership of this church in contributing a total of \$148,694.16 through the regular Sunday offerings. Approximately \$35,000 of this amount represents our gifts to Missions. More than \$61,000 has been received on the building fund and our debt has now been reduced to \$32,000. Nine hundred and forty-six people have been received into the membership of Calvary during this time, and 32 have publicly rededicated their lives to fuller service. Under Dr. Bowen's leadership our church is annually increasing its gifts to Missions, and reducing its debt. We also find that lives are being enriched and inspired to do more in service for our Master. We appreciate our pastor and his family and pray that God will richly bless them as they continue their ministry with us. We pledge ourselves anew to the blessed task of carrying on the work at Calvary, believing that even greater victories shall be ours as we seek to do His will.—Calvary Church Bulletin.

THE LIQUOR TRADE  
(Not An Advertisement.—Editor)

The Christian Science Monitor recently published a statement by the American Business Men's Research Foundation citing the following facts concerning the liquor business:

"1. The liquor trade is the only manufacturing trade whose products are achieved through the destruction of vast quantities of nutritious grains, fruits and sugars, with the resultant ingredient of alcoholic poison.

"2. It is the only trade that annually snares thousands of youth and decoys adults—of whom there is a constantly increasing proportion of women—into physically harmful, socially hazardous and economically wasteful living through the habit-forming qualities of its wares.

"3. It is the only trade whose competition in any community seriously lessens the purchasing power of its patrons for the necessities of life, and constantly weakens their interest in educational, cultural and religious activities.

"4. It is the only trade in which thousands of its retail sales outlets inevitably become the rendezvous and headquarters of criminals, gamblers and prostitutes.

"5. It is the only trade through

## LET JESUS BE YOUR CAPTAIN

Take Jesus for your Captain;  
If on life's voyage you would succeed,  
Take Jesus for your personal Saviour;  
No other shipmate will you need.  
He will guide you over the ocean,  
Into a port safe from angry storm  
Where there is a beacon in the light  
house,  
And your life is free from harm.  
He is always near to guide you;  
To keep your ship from going wrong  
If we would only stop, look and listen,  
For the light house and the gong.  
He knocks constantly at your heart door,  
Won't you open it up wide;  
And let Him come into your life  
To safely guide your across the tide.  
We all need a captain for our ships,  
As the storms come and go;  
We all are in need of a personal Saviour  
As our souls leave this earthly shore.  
There is no better one we could take,  
Than Jesus from up above;  
He is ever ready to greet you,  
And to welcome you home with love.  
What better things could we except,  
Of Him who offers us life's protection,  
Than a safe journey over the sea,  
And a home in that land of Perfection?  
If a home in that land  
Is what your heart doth crave,  
Then take Jesus for your Captain;  
Only He your soul can save.  
Today is the accepted time  
To set our hearts up right,  
Tomorrow may be too late—  
We may not survive through the night.  
Oh, how sad life's story would be  
If in this darkness our ship is tossed,  
Through our careless, wreckless way of  
living  
And our souls are forever lost.  
Out there in that bleak cold darkness,  
From whence there is no promise of re-  
turn,

To be saved from such a fate,  
Should be our daily prayer and concern.  
The time is now drawing very near,  
When we must all cross the tide,  
To insure our safest arrival,  
Let us take Jesus for our guide.  
He will anchor you in safety  
In that land of love nad pure delight  
Where there is sunshine all the day,  
And there is no coming of the night.  
I hope this voyage I have pictured to  
you,

Will prompt your selection of a guide;  
Just remember no one else will do;  
Make Jesus your Captain as you cross  
the tide.—Mrs. Fred Holly, Greenwood,  
Miss.

"THAT THE PROMISE MIGHT BE SURE"  
J. E. Heath

In the gospel of John we find the writer, after having set forth the gospel of Jesus Christ in all its purity, said: "Many other signs truly did Jesus in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book: but there are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through His name." (Jno. 20:30-31.)

It pleased God to redeem sinful men by the blood of Christ; to justify them by faith in His Son, and to bring them into relationship with Himself, as children.

"Therefore it is of faith," the apostle Paul said, "that it might be by grace; to the end the promise might be sure to all seed" (Rom. 4:16). It want the wisdom of God to justifil sinful men by faith, so that it would be all of grace, and be made sure to every believer.

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast" (Eph. 2:8-9). When we accept the Lord Jesus Christ, then we are sure we are saved, because we know that we believe Him and have committed our eternal destiny into His care and keeping. We know we are saved because we have His word for it.

We know that we believe the record that God gave of His Son: "And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life" (I John 5:11-12). "God was in Christ reconciling the world unto Himself" (II Cor. 5:19). How did He do it? "For He hath made Him to be sin for us, who know no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in Him" (II Cor. 5:21). How did He do it? "For Christ also hath once suffered for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God" (I Peter 3:18). "Who His own self bore our sins in His own body on the tree" (I Peter 2:24). Therefore God became reconciled to the world by the death of His Son, and we become reconciled to God, by faith in the death of His Son.

"That the promise might be sure." "Verily, verily, I say unto you," says the Lord Jesus, "he that heareth my word, and believeth on Him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation but is passed from death unto life" (Jno. 5:24). How much more could we want Him to say? But He does say more: "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: and I give unto them eternal life; and

whose community portals daily emerge thousands of drinking drivers and pedestrians who provide the major cause for accidents and fatalities on the highways of the nation.

"6. It is the only trade that continues to defy every curb and restriction placed upon it by the community to whatever extent it finds it possible with the consent of conniving officials.

"7. It is the outstanding trade which is using millions of dollars in the promotion of propaganda, misrepresenting scientific facts, social findings and economic experiments."

CONCERNING BOARD MEMBERS  
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the length of service of those whose current terms expire this year. Securing this information will give only a little trouble and soon will become a routine matter.

In closing, may I presume to call the attention of our nominating committee to the fact that in addition to this amendment, the shifting of pastors, the going of many of our pastors as chaplains, evangelists and enlistment men will call for an unusual number of changes in the personnel of all of our Boards and it would be well for the members to study the field in the light of these changes that their work may be easier and more effective at the meeting of the Convention.

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the opinion of Mr. Montgomery.

Christopher Dawson said: "The hope of the world rests, in the last resort, in the existence of a spiritual nucleus of believers who are the bearers of the seed of unity." Would not an outstanding religious group at or near the "peace table carry and plant that 'seed of unity'?"

This is certainly worth thinking about on this Sabbath Day.—Clarion-Ledger.

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Mississippi Baptists contributed through the Executive Committee of the Southern Baptist Convention \$12,656.13 during the month of July. \$9,430.53 was for the Cooperative Program, \$1,310.56 was designated, and \$1,915.04 was for the 100 Thousand Club. Southwide receipts so far this year are \$2,535,905.58. This is a gain of \$507,505.57 for the year.

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Blue Mountain College annuity bonds pay from 2 1/2 to 7%.

they shall never perish" (Jno. 10:27-28).

How could a true believer doubt when He makes it so sure? "Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; to declare, I say, at this time His righteousness; that He might be just and the justifier of him which believed in Jesus." Where is boasting then? It is excluded. By what law? Of works? "Nay: but by the law of faith" (Rom. 3:24-27). Could the promise be made any more sure? "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ... Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature (and that takes in the devil) shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord" (Rom. 8:35-39).

That makes the promise sure, and there are hundreds of other passages that I could quote.

# Mississippi Woman's Missionary Union

## OUR STATE OFFICERS

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We have just returned from a week's sojourn at Ridgecrest and the fellowship with the Home Mission Board personnel and missionaries, the representatives of the Business Women's Circles from seventeen different states, the Executive Secretaries from twelve other states, together with numerous friends from over the Southland sent us home conscious of a heavier responsibility toward making Christ known around the world. The Ten Essentials to a Successful B. W. C. was the basis for the discussions at the first morning's conference. We will give our B. W. C. some of the findings from each conference in the near future.

### Business Women

More than 200 women have registered for the Business Women's Conference from seventeen different states. Virginia has the largest delegation, Florida the second, and North Carolina the third. In this group there are 13 state W. M. U. executive secretaries and three officials of W. M. U. More than thirty different professions are represented in this group, including lawyers, technicians, teachers, office managers, deputy tax assistants, textile workers, artists, railroad clerks, life insurance agents, accountants, church employees, sales women, bank tellers, multiple operators, beauticians, nurses, statistical clerks, hospital receptionists, rooming house proprietors, pecan shippers, librarians, censorship clerks, clerks, stenographers, etc., etc.

### Ten Essentials to a Successful B. W. C.

- I. Baptist Women Concerned
1. Members of W. M. S. interested in B. W. C.
2. Business women enthusiastic (even two or three).
3. Other circles doing their part to foster B. W. C.
- II. Busy Winsome Counselor
1. Choose the friendliest member of the W. M. S.
2. On the job with constant zest.
3. She should maintain close contact with W. M. S.
- III. Bright Working Committees
1. Choose officers who will not shirk.
2. They must make thorough study of their work.
3. Laziness not allowed to lurk.
- IV. Business-like Programs, Worshipful, Convincing
1. Royal Service programs fine for B. W. C.
2. Do not steal time from missions for social jamboree.
3. Use missionary speakers but not always, see?
- V. Best Time When Most Convenient
1. Regular time of meeting means a lot.
2. Supper at church gives a good start.
3. Once a month, twice a month, weekly, why not?
- VI. Better in World-wide Commission
1. Missions must be at the heart of it all.

2. Programs-prayers-methods—to missions should call.
3. Business, fellowship, members, missionary all.

### VII. Buoyant Women Witnessing in Community

1. Be a real missionary at home.
2. Your community calls you to come.
3. Give the Bread of Life, not just a crumb.

### VIII. Boosters-Workers-Co-labourers.

1. Every member happy in her circle's task.
2. New members are gained when lovingly asked.
3. Working together we gain goals at last.

### IX. Brand New W. M. U. Circles Plans

1. Business women are up to date.
2. So is our Union—its methods are great.
3. Keep up with the latest—and don't be too late!

### X. Burning Desire to Work with Christ Jesus

1. Missions expresses the heart of our Lord.
2. B. W. C. holds us close to God.
3. Holy Spirit guides us to follow His Word.

### CAMPS CAMPS G. A.; R. A. Y. W. A. CAMPS CAMPS

Yes, we would capitalize the words because the event and all its released power and influence stand in bold relief on the horizon of Mississippi's youth—almost 1800 strong!

**ROYAL AMBASSADORS—GIRLS' AUXILIARIES and YOUNG WOMAN'S AUXILIARIES**—the very names indicate organizations seeking to represent the interests of our King and serving as helpers in answering the petition, "Thy Kingdom come."

These camps march before us in quick succession—faces forward, shoulders back, eyes eager and glowing in the task that is youths! Bare facts as to numbers attending, churches represented, queens crowned, etc., give us only a framework on which we must place our vivid imaginings of what camp could and did mean.

### Girl's Auxiliaries

Approximately 600 Junior girls were present in the four camping periods provided for Juniors. This was just half as many periods as we had last summer (for lack of facilities) but attendance was excellent. The challenging theme "We've a Story to Tell," was a constant reminder of our business as Christians. This story was told in all its beauty to those who hadn't trusted before. Good numbers of Junior girls became believers in and followers of Him whose message we give. Each year we see increased interest and influence for good in FORWARD STEPS. The storing of these scriptures, denominational doctrines, missionary fact and figures and opportunities for expressional activity through this "extra" of G. A. has come to be recognized as one of the finest features of Girls' Auxiliary. The fields of Africa, Cuba and South America were visited under the effi-

cient guidance of Misses Edna Hickman, Vera Walker and Ruby Rose! What a blessing and benediction to find consecrated, consistent workers such as these. These missionaries were in one of the camps each: V. L. David, Argentina; H. C. McConnell, Chile; Wilma Weeks, China, and Letha Saunders, Brazil. These Junior girls give hope for the days ahead!

Intermediates over 300 strong! This camp will of necessity have to be made two periods another season. The thrill of promise and power in that group! Some of the finest specimens of girlhood to be found in this world. Queens, Queen with Scepters and Queen Regents, what a regal sight! What excellent effort was displayed in the attractive, informing notebooks presented. Girlhood on quest—yes, questing for the best. Imagine a crowded dining hall—every inch filled and always an overflowing of around 75—who formed the cafeteria line on the terrace. Vision the assembly hall filled and some 80 or 100 having to sit in doors and windows! Feature us having to place 102 in cabins, one and one-half miles across the lake and transport them in the bus. Yes, all of these things and more. Did you hear any gripping? No, there was understanding and cooperation from every camper. But it made us KNOW the need for our own adequate camp.

### Royal Ambassadors

764 and that's 77 more than last year. We had six periods of camp for Junior boys (one less than last year) and one period of Intermediate boys (39 more boys than last year). We are deeply indebted to many of our pastors for their splendid help and cooperation they gave us in these camps. It would be impossible to list them all but particularly we must mention those who served as camp pastors:

James A. Sullivan, Clinton, Intermediate Camp.

Chester Molphus, Belzoni.

W. L. Compere, Meridian.

J. D. Walker, Calhoun City.

C. W. Thompson, Laurel.

Charlie Treadway, Cleveland.

James Fairchild, Wesson.

Clean, wholesome fun prevailed in all the camps. Fervent, vital presentation of "The Message" was born in each camp by such missionaries as Aaron Hancock, Choctaw Indian missionary! H. C. McConnell, Chile; V. L. David, Brazil, and David Mein, Brazil. Bugler Quitman Winters waked these 764 while in camp, Counselor Percy Magee (M. C. Choctaw) made the rounds and came out smiling. Business Manager David Mein looked after the numerous details (what would we do without him?)—Director IVY-LOY BISHOP! "The Bishop" has come to symbolize for Mississippi boys all the manly, masterful traits of a real Christian gentleman! Evangelism was the central effort of these camps.

### Young Woman's Auxiliary

Seeking to live up to these ideals:

Thoughtful study of the missionary message of the Bible.

Prayer for missions and missionaries.

Comprehensive study of missions.

Devoted community missions activity for the spiritually and physically needy around us.

Regular and proportionate giving to world-wide missions.

Our young women (camp small in number, because of defense work, school, etc.) led out in high purpose and power. They were earnest and eager; fun-loving and faithful and withal a group who longs to have a part in the rebuilding of this world! The Bible Hour, with Dr. Duke McCall, president of B. B. I., teaching was meaningful for all, "Prayer" being our topic for study. The vesper hour led by our state president, Mrs. J. H. Street, will live long in influence as we remember that "They that are wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever." The watchword became alive and new as she opened the doors to truths found therein! The missionary Seminars led by our Executive Secretary, Miss Traylor, and our mission study leader, Mrs. Bell, were excellent.

Camps—yes, 13 of those! Five less than last year but with only 92 less people present. Only time will tell the real meaning and influence of these.

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### TWO MEN AND A PSALM

One of England's leading actors was being banqueted. In the after-dinner ceremonies the actor was asked to recite for the pleasure of his guests. He consented, and asked if there was anything special anyone in the audience would like to hear.

There was a moment's pause, then an old clergyman spoke up. "Could you, sir," he said, "recite the Twenty-third Psalm?"

A strange look came over the actor's face, but he was speechless for only a moment. "I can, sir—and I will, on one condition, and that is that after I have recited, you, my friend, will do the same."

"I?" replied the surprised clergyman, "but I am not an elocutionist. However, if you wish, I will do so."

Impressively the great actor began the Psalm, holding his audience spell-bound. As he finished, a great burst of applause broke from the guests.

After the applause had ceased, the old clergyman arose. The audience sat in tense silence. The Psalm was recited, and when it was done, there was not the slightest ripple of applause, but those in the audience whose eyes were yet dry had their heads bowed.

The great actor, with hand on the shoulder of the old clergyman, his voice trembling, exclaimed, "I reached your eyes and ears, my friends, this man reached your hearts; I know the Twenty-third Psalm, this man knows the Shepherd."—Religious Digest.

## Sunday School Department

E. C. WILLIAMS, Secretary

MISS CAROLYN MADISON, Elementary Secretary

### Ridgecrest

Sunday school week at Ridgecrest this year was great in every respect. Because of transportation difficulties, we were a bit fearful as to the attendance from Mississippi. However, we had 38 which was certainly a fine representation. The Mississippians who were at Ridgecrest for Sunday School Week were: Dr. and Mrs. W. L. Johnson, Paul Johnson, Kathleen Johnson and Miss Laura Green, Philadelphia; Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Bass, Mrs. Mary Brown, Miss Ruth Lofton, Mary Bess Matthews and Eugene Stockstill, Hattiesburg-First church; Mrs. Mike Williams, Mrs. A. G. Touchstone and Mary Elizabeth Thurman, First church, Meridian; Mrs. Fred Purser, Miss Eugenia Dameron, E. C. Williams, Jackson-First church; Miss Carolyn Madison, Jackson-Parkway; Rev. and Mrs. J. H. Street, Herbert Street and Miss Annette Cockern, Hazlehurst; Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Morgan, Joy Durham Morgan and David Haworth, Vicksburg-First; Misses Melvin and Martin, Second Avenue church, Laurel; Miss Mary Lou Dunn, First church, Corinth; Mrs. John Haarala, Kreole; Mrs. Elere Gillis, Picayune-First; Mrs. L. W. Ferrell, Jackson-Griffith Memorial; Dorris McCaskey, Bucatunna; Orpha Shoemaker, Clara; Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Smith, Magnolia; H. B. Nabors and Park Chittom, Greenwood-First.

Many of these were at Ridgecrest for the first time. We have several brief testimonies regarding Ridgecrest that we are glad to give below:

"The verse of Scripture, Job 37:14b, 'Stand still and consider the wondrous work of God,' is simplified and recognized in the location and program of the Ridgecrest Baptist Assembly."—Mrs. Fred Purser, Jackson.

"Words will not describe the enjoyment, rest, activity, fellowship, instruction and inspiration we received at Ridgecrest. One of the greatest weeks we have ever experienced."—W. C. and Mrs. Morgan, Vicksburg.

"Going to Ridgecrest for the first time, as I did, the thing that meant most to me was the privilege of knowing personally our Southwide leaders."—Mary Lou Dunn, Corinth.

"To hear glorious singing and worship of 2000 people inspires one to seek more earnestly the Kingdom of God and strive to do His will."—Mary Bess Matthews, Hattiesburg.

"Spiritual inspiration and power received at Ridgecrest could change our Southland if our churches would make it possible for more of their workers to attend."—Mrs. Elere Gillis, Picayune.

"Some of the highlights at Ridgecrest were: 300 Christians watching the sunrise from Mt. Kitazuma, inspiring conference periods, great sermons by Dr. Fuller and Dr. Head, and the inspiring fellowship of the Mississippi group."—R. F. and Mrs. Bass, Hattiesburg.

"Ridgecrest was a great inspiration. It always is. And it is inspiration that many of us need to send us back to our tasks with a new courage. Ridgecrest gave me this fresh stimulus."—J. H. Street, Hazlehurst.

"Old friends, new friends, lasting friends, Baptist friends, good religion,

great fellowship with God, willingness to do—these you attain at Ridgecrest."—Park Chittom, Greenwood.

"It takes only one trip to Ridgecrest to convince one that it would be profitable for any church to send its Sunday school workers to these conferences."—Mrs. John Haarala, Kreole.

"The Christian atmosphere at Ridgecrest is inspiring to any one. It is wonderful to live in the community for a week where you see no women smoking and where in every way people conduct themselves worthy of the name of Christians."—Mrs. E. O. Smith, Magnolia.

### Please Note!

We recently stated in this column that a free book would be given to one who teaches a Sunday school study course class in his church. This was with reference to the two new books which the Sunday School Board has recently published. This offer still holds, but it applies only where there is actually a class and not where a number of books are offered for individual study at home without classes. The object of the offer is to stimulate the holding of classes with the hope that more classes will be held and larger attendance secured. The free book may be secured from the Baptist Book Store, Jackson, by any one who will teach a class in that book in his church.

### Using the Time

Recently Mr. W. A. Moody, superintendent of the Fifth Avenue Sunday school, Hattiesburg, was away for a two week vacation. He states that during the time he found time to read and write up one of the Sunday school study course books, and plans to write up another one soon. The one he finished on his vacation was **SUNDAY SCHOOL OFFICERS AND THEIR WORK**.

This fine superintendent was certainly using his time in a good way by thinking of his school even while away from home.

He also states that they have underway this month an all-out visitation program with a training school to follow in September with a view to closing out this Sunday school year most successfully.

Since the summer months are about gone, now is the time to begin making definite plans for our training programs this fall. The old year ends with September, which means that many new workers will be in our schools for the new year beginning October 1. If we expect the greatest amount of work from them, we will need to help them all we can through a great training program.

### Please Do!

Many churches have not yet sent us reports of their Vacation Bible schools. The longer this is delayed, the more difficult it is to get the reports. We are so eager to have the report of every school held in the state this year. Therefore, Brother Pastor and Superintendent, please see to it that a report of your school is sent to us right away. Please check this and see that the report is sent.

## Touching The Bases

By Fred R. Langley  
Soldiers, Sailors and Defense  
Projects Service

Below we print a copy of a letter from Chaplain Stribling of Foster General Hospital concerning the recent article by Charles Forbes Taylor:

CHAPLAIN'S OFFICE  
FOSTER GENERAL HOSPITAL  
Jackson, Miss.

August 11, 1943

Mr. Fred R. Langley,  
Soldiers, Sailors and Defense  
Projects Service,  
Mississippi Baptist Convention Board,  
Jackson, Mississippi

Dear Mr. Langley:

I have just finished reading "Preaching in the Army Camps" in The Baptist Record of August 5th, and I am impressed with what the writer of the article says. Although I am sure his analysis and conclusions in the early paragraphs are unintentionally misleading and don't accurately present the picture, the article as a whole issues a very definite and worthwhile challenge, and I for one, have felt at times the need of such support as men of the type referred to.

I am sure you know that we chaplains in the army are constantly faced with "self-invited" preachers of the same or smaller caliber as the chaplain himself. We are also dealing with a cosmopolitan group and it is extremely hard to find a man who is sound and at the same time presents a general appeal, there being strong inclination in the army to liturgical churches and at the same time a very strong majority in the present army of men who understand and appreciate the approach of the purely evangelical preacher.

I have never been confronted with a proposition like that which is suggested in this article, the implication being that Dr. George W. Truett and a group of trained singers or others who would closely approach his capacity and spiritual conception might be available for a series of services at a designated time and place, and so far as I know, no church has offered, except in a general statement, any such service to the men.

When our men come to the hospital from overseas or from other places I will be very happy to ask my commanding officer for permission to put on a sound pure gospel and musical devotional program in the chapel for an extended period and feel that we could be assured of a packed house at every service.

I would not care whether the man or men doing this work were Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, or some other, but would want to know that his heart burns with the desire to have the men know the saving grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. It goes without saying that if we could have Dr. Truett no more questions would be asked.

I realize we are some distance from the fulfillment of this idea, but I think it is worthy of your consideration and mine and the leaders of the various churches in Jackson, and it might be necessary, in order to avoid the possibility of someone feeling that I was putting on a denominational program that we have the

### HOLY SPIRIT PRESENT AT THE OAK GROVE REVIVAL

It was my privilege to assist Rev. Bounds of Weathersby in a meeting at Oak Grove (Smith county), beginning the first Sunday of August. I have been preaching for twenty years, and in these years I have not witnessed in any meeting the moving, convicting power of the Holy Spirit that I saw in three services of this meeting.

There was good attendance from the beginning, but the Holy Spirit was noticeably absent the first four days of the meeting. The concern had deepened by Thursday morning. Thursday night was the greatest single service I ever witnessed. There was a different feeling in all the prayer groups—the song service was outstanding. Never have I preached with a deeper consciousness of the presence of my blessed Lord. When we came to the invitation there was no mass movement; at the first, two or three came from different parts of the building. I then asked the congregation to bow their heads, close their eyes and earnestly pray for the lost. Then I told the congregation that unless someone came while we sang another verse, the services would come to a close. I have never witnessed such moments in my life. One came; we sang again and another came—they continued to come. The service went beyond any of our experiences. They continued to come until 19 came. When I asked the congregation to raise their heads and open their eyes, it was electrifying. Husbands looked only to find their wives had come—wives saw husbands—parents saw children—children saw parents. I saw more tears in thirty minutes than I have seen in any one year. Practically all of them were in their late 'teens, twenties, and early thirties. We came back for service Friday morning under the same power, and again Friday night when the meeting closed. In these three services 36 came for baptism, and 11 by letter.

I have seen a number equally as large come before, but I have never before witnessed such a mighty moving of the Holy Spirit.

Friday night as I drove home, I tried to analyze the meeting. The attendance was good—we had the group prayer meeting—a large number had come to reconsecrate their lives—but, I had seen all these things before. I finally decided that the Lord just showed us what could happen when He had charge of a meeting. Believe you me, He knows how. All the praise and all the glory belong to Him.

BARNEY WALKER.

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sanction of the Jackson Pastors Association.

Anyway, think it over and when we are together again we can discuss it. I would want a good singer and probably want to promote some musical organizational activities in connection with it.

Come by to see me the next time you have a moment.

Fraternally yours,  
A. C. STRIBLING,  
Chaplain.  
CC: Mr. Henry Love, First Baptist Church.

**RIDGECREST'S MOST SUCCESSFUL SEASON**  
By Walter M. Gilmore

The Sunday School Board is closing September 1 one of the most successful seasons of the summer assembly at Ridgecrest, North Carolina, in its history. The attendance at each of the separate weekly conferences has been surprisingly large, surpassing that of former years. For example, the total registered attendance at the Training Union conference was over 5,000—over 2,700 for the first week and more than 2,300 for the second week. Some youngsters! The programs and spirit of the crowds throughout the whole season have been remarkably fine.

Despite all the difficulties, Jasper Barnette has done a magnificent job substituting as manager of the assembly for Perry Morgan, who was stricken with a serious illness before the season opened in June. His host of friends will be delighted to learn that Mr. Morgan is improving.

**Preaching Week**

It is a matter of deepest regret that on account of a recent rather serious operation, Dr. George W. Truett, who has closed the assembly each summer for many years with a series of sermons, will not be able to render this service this year. However, Dr. T. L. Holcomb, executive secretary of the Sunday School Board, has arranged a most attractive and intriguing preaching program for the last week of the assembly, August 25-September 1, over which Dr. W. F. Powell, Nashville, will preside.

A bare mention of the names of those who are to preach on the general theme, "Southern Baptists in Tomorrow's World," in the order given, will be sufficient to attract the multitudes: Wednesday, Dr. W. R. White, Nashville; Thursday, Dr. R. G. Lee, Memphis; Friday, Dr. R. C. Campbell, Columbia, and Dr. Charles E. Maddry, Richmond; Saturday, Dr. W. F. Powell and Dr. J. B. Weatherspoon, Louisville; Sunday, Dr. Fred F. Brown, Knoxville, and Dr. J. Clyde Turner, Greensboro; Monday, Thos. J. Watts, Dallas, and Dr. John L. Hill, Nashville; Tuesday, Dr. W. W. Barnes, Fort Worth, Dr. Louie D. Newton, Atlanta, and Dr. Turner giving the closing message on "Consecration of Life for Tomorrow."

**BR**  
**CHANGES AT MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE**

This week terminates the two summer terms at Mississippi College. A number of students will be dropping out, some by graduation and others to accept positions, but a large majority of them will continue in the accelerated schedule which has been adopted at Mississippi College running twelve months a year and making it possible for students to complete a standard four-year course in less than three years.

This week also terminates the efficient services of Mrs. Howard Spell as dean of women. Mrs. Spell is moving to College Street where she will make a home for her young son and her husband, who is head of the Department of Christianity in Mississippi College. The new dean of women is Mrs. G. W. Riley, who has served in this capacity for many years but who resigned when Hillman and Mississippi Colleges were consolidated. Mrs.

**ADOPT A COUNTRY CHURCH FOR A YEAR**  
Sam W. Scantlan

On April 22, 1943, I was in a special meeting at Perry's Chapel Baptist Church, near Heavener, in Leflore Baptist Association. As the service proceeded, I began to wonder what could be done for our country churches. The building in which we were meeting showed signs of age. Some new work had been done both outside and inside. I viewed the little building and so many things it needed. I thought how easily my church at Oklahoma City could help do the things that needed to be done and how difficult it was for those dear people who worshipped there. "Surely," I mused, "there must be something that could be done about our country church property that in many cases is unpainted and in bad repair." The following is an idea I received as I sat in the little church at Perry's Chapel that morning.

"Why not have Capitol Hill Baptist Church select a country church each year and help the members of that church put the building in good repair?"

Then came the idea that many other churches might like to do the same. You can readily see that our rural church property could be put into fine shape if all churches in the state that are able would select one or two churches each year and give their people a chance to make a special offering for this type of work.

A rural church committee could be selected and this or a similar plan for rehabilitation of our country churches could be worked out. Our missionaries, both state and associational, could help in the work. My church would propose to do certain things if the country people would agree to do an equal amount of work on the building and grounds.

Many open country church buildings could be made the pride of the communities instead of run-down, dilapidated, uncared-for buildings if our stranger churches would spend a hundred or so dollars on each one of them. Within a period of five years every church house in the country could be made beautiful. I believe the idea has merit.

This idea might even be carried over into the regular preaching, teaching and training program of the church.—Baptist Messenger.

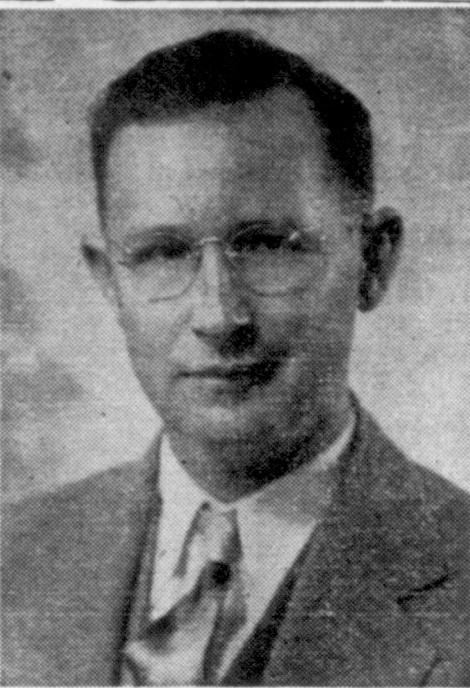
Riley is well known in Mississippi, having served as president of the State Woman's Missionary Union and having served on the faculties of Eelhaven, Blue Mountain and Hillman Colleges, and held other positions of honor and trust. She has two daughters, Dr. Susan B. Riley, a member of the faculty of Peabody College in Nashville, and Mrs. John King, whose husband is now serving in North Africa. Coach King is well known in Mississippi where he was athletic director and supervisor of recreational activities before going into service with the Red Cross.

Mrs. Riley's return to active college duties will be welcomed by her many friends.

The work of the fall term begins August 30. New students will be entering then to join those who are already here working in the year round schedule. Eight new members have been added to the faculty and a good year is anticipated.—M. P. L. Berry.

**GOING PLACES**

**Our Text: I Timothy 4:13a and 15b: "Till I come, give attendance to reading—give thyself WHOLLY to them, that thy profiting may appear to ALL."**  
**Our Motto: "Ask the people, they'll subs vbe."**



Rev. Wm. F. Garner

**GARNER DOES IT AGAIN**

Cascilla Is Number 643

Since his college days, Rev. Wm. F. Garner has been a great believer of the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan of The Baptist Record. If our memory serves us correctly he has led every church of which he has been pastor since college days to adopt the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan.

The latest **EVERY FAMILY** Plan comes from Cascilla. We are glad to have this addition to our list. It shows that the pastor can do it when outsiders can't. Some two or three years ago we were at Cascilla assisting in a meeting and did the very best we could but failed to convince those good people of the merits of the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan. Pastor Garner did it and we congratulate him.

Tallahatchie now has Record readers as follows: CASCILLA 23; CHARLESTON 206; FRIENDSHIP 36; NEW LIFE 12; PAYNES 45; Phillip 5; Shady Dale 9; Stover 2; SUMNER 38; Tutwiler 5; WEBB 46.

**Harris Chapel Church, North Carolina Adopts **EVERY FAMILY** Plan**

In our student days at Wake Forest College, we were pastor of Harris Chapel church located at Hollister, North Carolina. Every few years they invite us to come back and lead them in a revival meeting. This is evidently due to the fact that they felt like they did not get their money's worth during our pastorate.

It was a delight to be back among old friends, and yet there was a touch of sadness as we realized the toll of the years. Many who were young then are old now, and many who were present then have gone on to Glory.

Brother Dan Moulder says that he regrets that his parents died before they learned about iced tea. We regret that Mississippians are not close enough to learn how real North Carolina barbecue tastes. That is one of the better things of life that most Mississippians have never enjoyed.

During the meeting we called the deacons together and told them how the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan works in

**BATTLE OF THE ATLANTIC NEARLY WON**

It takes battles like Sicily, Munda and Kursk to get the big headlines. But, so far as the outcome of the war is concerned, none of these is as important as the defeat of the U-boats in the battle of the Atlantic. And that defeat, if not already accomplished, now seems close at hand. For some time optimistic reports concerning the progress of the campaign against the submarines have been increasing. Secretary Knox has spoken cheerfully in this country; Mr. Churchill in England. On July 9, however, the British and American governments published an official statement which showed how near the U-boat is to utter defeat. According to this joint announcement, sinkings in the Atlantic during June were the lowest since the United States entered the war. Convoys crossed and recrossed almost unmolested. And as a result, merchant shipping tonnage jumped to a new high in net gain. It probably would not be good for public morale if huge headlines should be printed now announcing that "The war in Europe is won." But in sober fact, that is what this joint statement on the defeat of the U-boat means. To be sure, there is still plenty of hard fighting ahead, and many a home will still be stricken, but the military war against Hitler has been decided. When the U-boats were cleared from the path of the trans-Atlantic convoys, his last chance to win went glimmering.—The Christian Century.

Mississippi. They promptly recommended it to the church and the church promptly adopted it. We were glad to render this small service for the Biblical Recorder, Baptist state paper of North Carolina, and Editor Carpenter.

We also had the privilege of visiting our old home for a couple of days. While there we called a meeting of the deacons and explained to them the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan. Of course, we were referring to the Biblical Recorder. Although now pastorless, the deacons assured us they would present it to the church at their next meeting.

**Visiting Pastor Promotes **EVERY FAMILY** Plan**

Below we print a letter from Rev. V. C. Windham, pastor at Escatawpa. We print this letter for two reasons. First, to show that The Baptist Record and revival meetings will mix. Second, to prove that evangelists can greatly help the Record, as this brother has done.

We invite others to do likewise.  
"Dear Brother Goodrich:

"We conducted a revival meeting at Lebanon Baptist Church in Covington county, July 30-August 8. It was my privilege to bury with Christ in baptism seven, last Sunday afternoon. One came by letter, making a total of eight additions. We closed the services Sunday night, and at the last service I presented the **EVERY FAMILY** Plan. I stated to the church that I would use the tithe from the meeting to help put the Record in all the homes of that church. They gladly responded to that proposition.

"Sincerely,  
"V. C. WINDHAM."  
(Go thou and do likewise.—Editor.)

**CANDIDATES POLLED ON  
PROHIBITION VIEWS**  
Mississippi To Have Dry State  
Officials

**R. L. Hunt, Magnolia, Miss.**

Regardless of which candidates are elected, Mississippi will have a governor and a lieutenant governor who profess allegiance to the prohibition cause, according to the Rev. E. E. McKeithen, pastor of the Utica Methodist church and president of the Board of Temperance of the Mississippi Annual Conference of the Methodist church.

Two questions were addressed candidates in letters of which the following is a copy:

Dear Mr. (Candidate):

We should appreciate having from you, for publication, information of your stand on the following questions. We know you are busy, and if it be your convenience, you can just say yes or no and return this sheet.

1. As governor will you support prohibition of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages in Mississippi?

2. As governor will you support prohibition of all advertising of alcoholic beverages in Mississippi?

If you care to add any other statement concerning your attitude to these questions, we should be glad to have them. We hope to publish your answer to these questions in our church press before the first primary and shall appreciate your prompt reply. We shall be glad to receive your answer by telegram collect to Rev. E. E. McKeithen, Utica, Miss.

Replies from all candidates were not received in time for publication in the church papers before the first primary, and rather than risk injustice to any candidate whose mail might have been delayed, publication of the answers were deferred. Replies from all candidates successful in entering the second primary were received however, and they are on record as follows:

**Candidates for Governor**  
**Thomas L. Bailey**

The letter from Mr. Bailey's campaign manager, under date July 31st, 1943, reads as follows:

We have not been able to bring your letter of July 24th to Mr. Bailey's attention for personal answer.

However, we can without reluctance state that Mr. Bailey has always been "dry" in both his personal and political life.

Upon Mr. Bailey's return to the city, your letter will be brought to his attention.

Be assured that Mr. Bailey's attention will be directed to your letter at the very earliest possible moment.

Sincerely yours,  
C. R. Gilespie, Chairman,  
Lauderdale County Campaign  
Committee.

**Mike Conner**

The letter from Mr. Conner's campaign manager, under date July 26, reads as follows:

Your letter of July 24th addressed to Mr. Conner was received during his absence from the city. He is and has been for the past several days in Northeast Mississippi making an active campaign in the race for governor.

At the beginning of this campaign I discussed several matters with him and while I did not discuss the particular questions propounded in your letter, the liquor question was discussed and I had his statement that

**DR. GRAHAM ESTABLISHES  
FOUNDATION**  
Sets Worthy Example For Some  
Mississippians

Dr. B. J. W. Graham of Georgia celebrated his 81st birthday recently in an unique way. He gave ten one-thousand dollar bills in cash for the establishment of a Graham Foundation for the education of orphans. The direction of the fund will be handled by trustees who will be chosen by the Baptist organizations of Georgia. Having served his generation "e'en down to old age," this distinguished minister and former editor of the Christian Index will go down the future centuries helping those whom he specially loves—the orphans—Christian Index.

**BR**  
**CLARKE COLLEGE FACULTY  
IS COMPLETE**

Dr. J. L. Boyd, president of Clarke College, Newton, has announced the following faculty for the coming term: Science and Higher Mathematics, Dr. F. D. Graves; History, New Testament, Missions, Doctrines, Rev. J. E. Wills; Sociology, Psychology, Old Testament, Greek, Dr. T. B. Prescott; Languages: French, Latin, Greek, President J. L. Boyd; English, Education, Spanish, Library, Miss Frances Browning; Speech: Dramatics, Public Speaking, Plays, Mrs. Beulah Payne; Music: Piano, Choral Club, Group Singing, Mrs. T. B. Prescott; Typing, Shorthand, Accounting, Mr. Howard Mason; Dietitian and matron, Mrs. Olivia Horner.

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he was both personally and politically against alcoholic beverages. I received his authority at that time to quote him as saying he is both personally and politically dry.

Sincerely yours,  
O. D. Loper,  
State Campaign Manager.

**Candidates for Lieutenant Governor**  
**John Lumpkin**

Mr. Lumpkin returned the original letter marked with "Yes" in response to each question, and added the following statement:

Furthermore, if elected I will ask you who are interested in prohibition to sit by my side and to select the temperance committee, a committee of Christian gentlemen who cannot be influenced. I will be assured in that case that I will be organizing against the devil! This I have stated to preachers all over Mississippi.

Sincerely your friend,  
John Lumpkin.  
Fielding L. Wright

Mr. Wright replied by telegram filed July 26th, as follows:

Reference made letter July 24, 1943. My answer is YES to questions One and Two therein.

Fielding L. Wright,  
Candidate for Lieut.-Gov.

Speaking for the Methodist Board of Temperance, Mr. McKeithen says "We in Mississippi are fortunate in having a choice of candidates who register themselves so willingly and firmly in support of dry principles. We hope every citizen will do his duty and vote in the election."

It is expected that dry leaders in local option campaigns will be encouraged in their efforts by this prospect of dry leadership in state offices.

## THE JUNE OFFERING FOR THE BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE ENDOWMENT FUND

Returns to date from the June offering total \$20,953, perhaps the largest special offering ever made to one cause by the Baptist churches of the state of Mississippi with the exception of the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, last year. Yet this amount came from only 226 of the 1600 Baptist churches in the state.

Some of the churches not making offerings in June, however, have given assurances that they will participate in August and September. Many other churches say they are postponing their offerings until October and November because they feel much larger ones will be obtained in these months when money received for the crops begins to circulate.

The total obtained to date from the Nine Weeks Campaign last year and from the June Offering this year is \$110,953. This is in cash, war bonds, and war stamps, and is made up as follows:

Last year, from one-half of 1% of Mississippi Baptists	\$ 90,000
June offering, from 14% of the churches	\$ 20,953
Total	\$110,953

Evidence of how the Lord blessed the effort made is shown by an analysis of the results—55.4% of the \$200,000 has been obtained as a result of effort by ½ of 1% of individual Baptists last year, and effort by 14% of the churches in June of this year.

WHEN THE 1,374 CHURCHES WHICH HAVE NOT YET MADE THEIR OFFERINGS DO SO, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW MONTHS, WHAT AN OVERFLOWING BLESSING GOD WILL GIVE THEIR ACTIONS.

Churches whose June offering exceeded \$1,000 are Grenada, Laurel First Church, Leland and Louisville. Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church at Blue Mountain gave \$907.

Envelopes, blank checks, and literature for taking a church offering have been sent to pastors of all Baptist churches in Mississippi. For pastorless churches, they have been sent to Sunday school superintendents. Save these supplies to use when your offering is taken. IF THEY HAVE BEEN MISPLACED, WRITE BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE ENDOWMENT HEADQUARTERS, P. O. BOX 57, BLUE MOUNTAIN, MISSISSIPPI, AND ANOTHER SUPPLY WILL BE SENT GLADLY.

The offering from the rural churches are especially appreciated and it is hoped that every rural and every urban church in Mississippi not participating in the June offering—1374—will make their offerings for the advancement of Christian education in August, September, October or November.

It is possible that forty-six other churches of financial ability may join the quartet donating \$1,000 each, within the next four months. It would be an expression of thankfulness to God for His blessings that would help Christian education, a cause close to the heart of the Master who established the first Christian school, thus pioneering in Christian education (Matt. 11:29).

### THIRD PHASE

The third phase of the Blue Mountain College Endowment Campaign is now in progress. The hope of this phase is that 1,374 Baptist churches in Mississippi not making an offering in June, may be led to do so in August, September, October or November. Prosperity is with us for a season. "When your measures are full, forget not the Lord." Christian education gives a strong impetus to the propagation of the gospel of Christ. "Learn of Me" was a required course of Christ's school (Matt. 11:29), and Blue Mountain College continues to use that school as its pattern.

Churches led out of debt by God may want to make a thank offering to the Endowment Fund as did the Grenada church. Its offering was \$1000. Many churches may be able to donate this much but there are hundreds of churches whose offerings will, of necessity, be much less.

For the next four months, may the slogan of Mississippi Baptists be "AN OFFERING FROM EVERY CHURCH."

Frank L. Fair, General Chairman.  
Lawrence T. Lowrey, Campaign Treasurer.

## DEPARTMENT OF TRAINING

AUBER J. WILDS  
State SecretaryBox 530  
Jackson, 105, Miss.Miss Sara Wallis  
Associate

## A-1 Unions For Last Quarter

Reporting on our Standard Unions for last quarter we are happy to report the growing interest and efficiency of our Adult Union. They led the list in number of A-1 unions for the quarter. We list these unions below:

Adult Unions: Lipscomb, Ferrell, Pastor's Helpers, Friendship, all of Griffith Memorial, Jackson; Fellowship, Parkway Jackson; Pilgrims Rest, Panola county; Beaumont.

Young People's Unions: Davis Memorial Jackson; Beaumont.

Intermediate Unions: Ross, Brookhaven; Mountain Creek, Rankin county; Pilgrims Rest, Panola county.

Junior Unions: Beaumont; Conquerors, Lorena, Smith county; Pilgrims Rest, Panola county; Live Wire, New Albany.

This quarter is just half gone, and you have plenty of time to build up the weak places in your union and make it a standard union for the quarter. Use the blank in the back of the Quarterly for reporting to us.

## Efficiency Campaign Suggestions Accepted

We have heard from a number of our directors thanking us for the suggestions for the efficiency campaign, saying they were using them and that the results were already very effective. One church reported that the campaign had already about doubled their attendance. Nothing like putting on a novel program occasionally to rekindle interest.

## Twins

Reading some of the writings of one of our very best Training Union and Sunday school Southwide workers of a few years ago we were struck afresh with the idea that the Training Union and the Sunday school are TWINS. Twins in the sense that they are both in the business of developing character, the Sunday school especially interested in continuance and completion (as far as possible) of Christian character in the individual. In Mississippi these two departments have worked together through the years, each a mutual help to the other. In our summer program our Training Union workers conduct Vacation Bible schools wherever possible, and teach Training Union work each evening. We find some of the Sunday school summer workers doing exactly that, conducting a Vacation Bible school in the mornings and teaching Training Union work at night. This was true of Miss Clarice Conner especially this summer. In several instances the Training Union course was needed more than the Sunday school course, hence the Training Union work was given at night. These two great departments of the church have been greatly blessed of God, and have proved to our churches the need of giving the church members the opportunity to study, grow and serve.

## "Alcohol the Destroyer" Gains Favor

Our study course book "Alcohol the Destroyed," has proved to be a very popular book. Written by Mr. C.

Aubrey Hearn of Nashville, it is a timely discussion of America's enemy No. 1. Every church should offer it to its members, and every member urged to study it. Why not do as Prentiss church has done? They have had two classes in this helpful book. Not all of the members who wanted it could attend the first week it was taught, hence another week for the same course was planned. The pastor and director willing to go the second mile to help all who would receive this help. We commend them on this policy. Dr. W. L. Holcomb is the pastor and Mrs. Howard Hartzog the director.

## New Church Starts With a New Training Union

Thanks to Miss Clarice Conner, summer Sunday school worker, for the report of a newly organized Training Union in the Oak Grove church, Calhoun county. This is a new church. Brother L. F. Haire of Bruce is their pastor and was helpful in getting the union started. All five units were organized and the following leaders elected: Director, Mrs. J. W. Lowry; associate director, Mrs. M. S. Higginbotham; secretary, Mrs. Dorlene Hand; B. A. U. president, Mr. M. S. Higginbotham; Young People's counselor, Mr. Aubrey Mason; Intermediate leader, Mrs. Clyde Patterson; Junior leader, Miss Juanita Lowry; S. H. leader, Mrs. Melvin Shival. A study course for each group was taught and the work starts off in a fine way with the people enthusiastic.

## Fifty New Unions for July

We are happy to report fifty newly organized unions for July. This many requested free literature for the quarter. We congratulate these churches and pray that the union shall bring rich blessings to the entire community in each instance.

You will certainly want to add to your library the new book—*BAPTIST LEADERS IN RELIGIOUS EDUCATION*. This is a group of short biographies giving us a pen picture of the following: George W. Andrews, Harvey Beauchamp, P. E. Burroughs, J. E. Byrd, Robert H. Coleman, B. H. DeMent, Arthur Flake, Lillian S. Forbes, James M. Frost, W. D. Hudgins, Landrum P. Leavell, E. E. Lee, E. L. Middleton, Hight C. Moore, William Durant Moorer, B. W. Spillman, Harry L. Strickland, I. J. Van Ness, W. S. Wiley, Annie L. Williams. Some of these great leaders are still with us in the flesh. Others have passed on but are still wielding their influence in the lives of those they blessed. You will also want to add this interesting book to your library—*SO THIS IS AFRICA*—especially for the Intermediate age, but so written that every Christian will enjoy and be blessed by the reading of it.

## An Ice Cream Supper on the Way

Miss Blake Nations, director of the Training Union, Brookhaven, reports that they are "in the Efficiency Campaign" and that they are going to give an ice cream supper in honor of the union that has the best record for

## CHINA AND HER PEOPLE

## HOW THE CHINESE EAT

By T. W. Ayers,  
Retired Missionary

## IX

Last week I spoke of the variety of foods to be had in China, but it is not the variety of food that makes the Chinese food famous, it is the variety of flavor and taste. This is so varied that the flavor of food in one province is so different from that in other provinces, you can find in the larger cities restaurants with booths marked with the names for the different provinces, and when the

Canton man enters the restaurant he will find the Canton booth, and this is equally true of the Shantung man, and the men from other provinces, for the man from each province believes that the flavor of the food in his province is superior to that to be had in any other province.

In my judgment, the Chinese cooks are the best to be found in the world, and no man or woman who has lived in China, when he thinks of the delicious flavor of Chinese food, does not fail to long for a good Chinese meal as the Chinese cook prepares it in China. The writing of this makes me absolutely hungry for a good Chinese feast.

In thinking of the variety of delicious dishes the Chinese chef can make from the ordinary variety of articles of food, I am led to think of wheat, which is one of the main crops of China. They use it not only for bread and noodles, but they make from it one of the most delicious cereals I have eaten. They parch and grind the wheat, and cook it as the ordinary cereal is cooked. It is not only delicious, but nutritious.

The Chinese have few social functions, but when one is held it means a feast, and the luxuries to be served depend upon the financial ability of the person giving it; but there are some things common to all feasts, whether it is one given by a poor man who is to enjoy with his friends the luxury of having meat and rice, or whether it is a Mandarin's feast with its forty courses, where all the delicious things to be had in China are served.

When a man gives a feast his guests see only men in the home, for no woman will be seen during the evening either in the living room or the dining room. Then when a woman gives a feast none of the men in the home are to be seen. Chinese men and women never sit down at the same table.

The invited guests to a feast enter the living room where they are kept busy drinking hot tea and discussing local topics of interest until the feast is ready to be served. The guests enter the dining room where tables are

the period. The state secretary is going to wait and see which union will win and then he is going to join that union post haste! Some friend just remarked "and I'll bet he would be the winner in the ice cream contest."

## GOODMAN ACCEPTS McLAIN PLAN

Goodman, Miss.  
August 5, 1943.Dr. William Potter,  
First Baptist Church,  
McLain, Miss.

Dear Dr. Potter:

Thought you would be interested to know that our church at Goodman, of which Bro. Madison Flowers is pastor, has adopted your plan for a "Victory Prayer Service" beginning this Saturday evening.

We are also asking other Baptist churches of the county to cooperate.

Who knows but you and your church at McLain have taken a step toward prayer that will circle our entire nation and be the means of Christian people waking up to a greater realization that God and God only can bring victory. All things must have an origin.

Thanking you for the suggestion and praying that visible results may soon be realized.

Sincerely,  
MRS. ZILPHA E. MANSELL,  
c/o Holmes Junior College,  
Goodman, Miss.

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arranged to seat eight persons at each table, so that each can reach with his chopsticks a bowl or dish to be placed in the center of the table. Each guest has provided for him a pair of chopsticks, a spoon, a tea cup without a handle and a plate. He will need nothing else to eat the meal. Then he will find on the table dry watermelon seed which he is supposed to crack open with his teeth and eat at his pleasure. The cracking of these seed is an art equal almost to the proper use of the chopstick. Soon a table boy comes with a pot of hot tea and fills all the cups, which the guests drink without sugar or cream. Then another boy comes with a bowl of rice for each guest, and this means that the happy moment has arrived. You do not have to watch your host to know what knife or fork to use, for your chopsticks and spoon furnish you all you need.

Probably the first dish placed in the center of the table will be a large, fat hen, cooked so tender that you do not need a knife or fork, for you can easily pull off small pieces with your chopsticks. Then in the bowl is a most delicious juice, which you take out with your spoon and pour over your rice, which you eat with your chopsticks. After this dish is finished it is removed, and one dish after another of deliciously flavored food is brought on until half the feast has been eaten. Then the table boys bring a hot, wet towel for each guest to wipe off his face and hands. Then a small bowl of hot water is brought for you to rinse your mouth. Now you are ready for the dessert, which is served in the middle of the meal.

After finishing the dessert, the host suggests that all get up and walk around and give the food a chance to go down. And let me tell you, you feel like doing this. After a space of about fifteen minutes all are seated at the table again, and the delicious dishes continue to come until you have used from two to three hours in eating the feast.

**CHAPLAIN TELLS OF QUALITIES THAT SEE U. S. SOLDIERS THROUGH**

More than two years' observation of American soldiers in camp, on maneuvers, in the South Pacific, in hospitals and in the sinking of the transport "President Coolidge," have convinced Chaplain (Captain) Norman P. Dare of Catskill, New York, that they have certain outstanding characteristics which carry them through hardship and danger, according to a report to the War Department.

These characteristics—a sense of humor, adaptability, generosity, coolness in extreme emergency and innate religiousness—were displayed everywhere, Chaplain Dare reported, but were most strongly in evidence when the "President Coolidge" struck a mine in the South Pacific last October.

"Although the ship was listing, there was no panic, no confusion," Chaplain Dare said. "The men were first ordered to their quarters, then calmly and quietly lined upon the open decks in regular formation. They went down nets, ropes and ladders and dropped into the water, enlisted men first, officers last. It was a demonstration of amazing coolness in the midst of disaster."

Although they lost even the clothes they were wearing, the soldiers retained their sense of humor and readily adapted themselves to varied climatic conditions and a monotony of diet on the island where they found refuge, the chaplain said. They were ingenious enough to overcome many difficulties.

"Tropical heat and humidity and lack of reading material and amusement did not extinguish the originality of the American soldier. He has an ingenuity which may be unique among the armies of the world.

"After several weeks on the island without bread, the men took empty gasoline drums, set them horizontally on stones against a bank, and covered them with earth. Doors were cut in one end of each drum, and wood fires were started below. Cooks baked bread of the finest quality.

"Other gasoline drums were set on frames to provide shower baths. Light was obtained by pouring oil into wicks."

Commenting on the soldiers' characteristic of generosity, Chaplain Dare said that overseas, all personal property and gifts are freely shared. Nothing is hoarded.

As Chaplain Dare sees the American fighting man, "He takes his job with deadly seriousness, but refuses to take himself seriously at all, and has no exaggerated opinion of his own importance, but knows the effectiveness of his own skill and his weapons.

"The American soldier is religious, but he does not wear his religion on his sleeve. He is always ready to help

**NEWS AND VIEWS**

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ston county every success as these plans develop. By the power of our God we may largely take this state for Christ if this surge of interest continues. The "back-trend" has been stopped! Let's go on and up for Christ's sake!

A State Missionary was asked by eight men to go on a hunting camp. He replied, "If you let Jesus go, O. K." They looked at him like he was crazy. He said again, "You are eight—I make nine, Jesus makes ten." They said, "All right, come on." That night after eating "stew," sitting around on the ground, a man who drank said, "Now is a good time for you to tell us about Jesus." He told them about Jesus. Three men broke down and cried, and made confession in Christ.

That sounds like "The Jesus Way" to us. Yet, we have heard it suggested we have no one with a State Mission testimony.

**OKLAHOMA AND VIRGINIA TAKE FIRST PLACE HONORS AT RIDGECREST**

By Sallie Roller

Ridgecrest—Two southwide events, the Intermediate Sword Drill and the Young People's Better Speakers' Tournament, highlighted the Training Union weeks here July 21-August 3. Each brought participants from various states to this southwide assembly to represent their states.

The Sword Drill, held on July 22, was participated in by 15 Intermediates, with Bibles they had never used before, in a demonstration of the use of the Bible which was simply marvelous. Mr. Henry C. Rogers, Intermediate leader, called out a reference, an unfinished quotation, or other spot in the Bible, and the youngsters found each in less than eight seconds. Some references were found in three seconds, with four or five entrants stepping forward at the same moment.

Wilma June Kitchens, 14-year-old Oklahoman, took first place on the basis of her swiftness and accuracy of the use of the Bible. Second and third place winners are Sarah Smith of Florida and Renva Smith of Georgia.

Again the following week competition ran high as 15 of the finest young people in the South spoke in the Better Speakers' Tournament, climaxing hundreds of eliminations throughout the South. Virginia copped first honors, with Betty Mae Smith of Richmond speaking on "Beverage Alcohol, the Enemy of the Church." She said, "The church's deadliest enemy is anybody or anything that opposes the life of human liberty and of Christianity. If anybody should ask the church its peace terms, God give us courage to answer—'unconditional surrender,'" the winner said, adding that "It is up to the church now. Nobody else cares."

Norma Jean Eallard of Dallas, Tex., and Emily Bridges, Georgia, took second and third spots. Winston Crawley, young people's leader, conducted the tournament.

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the chaplain. On the island mentioned, officers and enlisted men worked side by side to provide an open-air chapel. Heavy coconut logs were dragged a long distance and hewed for use as pews. An altar was made of gasoline drums covered with teakwood boards and canvas. Candlesticks and a cross were carved from an ammunition box. A pulpit and altar rail were made of heavy bamboo, with a tent-fly above to protect this sanctuary. The soldiers were justly proud of their chapel, and they used it. It was an evidence of their religious spirit and of their faith to face, undaunted, the difficult conditions of army life overseas."

Washington—The American and Japanese governments were revealed today to have agreed on Marmagoa, Portuguese India, as the site of the proposed second exchange this fall of an estimated 1,500 more nationals. Names of those to be exchanged have not yet been approved by the respective governments which last year swapped the first group of 1,500 nationals. It was understood that the Swedish liner Gripsholm, used in the first exchange at Laurencio Marques, Portuguese East Africa, would be used again. Marmagoa is the port of Goa, the Portuguese colony south of Bombay to which St. Francis Xavier was returning from the Far East when he died in the 16th century.

London (By Cable) (RNS)—Non-Roman Catholic weeklies published here have been noticeably reticent over the bombing of Rome. The Church Times, an Anglican periodical, comments openly, however, on the Allied air attack, declaring it was "in full conformity with the declared policy of the Allies. Only illogical sentimentality," the Church Times says, "would expect them to regard Rome as covered with a holy umbrella while Axis forces revel in the use of its marshalling yards and military installations."

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Friends of Rev. J. R. G. Hewlett, of Charleston, who has been critically ill for the past few weeks, will be gratified to learn that his condition is showing some improvement.

**100 Churches Giving Most to the Cooperative Program January 1st, 1943 to June 30th, 1943**

1—Calvary Jackson	-----	\$ 5,163.08
2—Meridian First	-----	\$ 3,842.66
3—Vicksburg First	-----	\$ 3,698.98
4—Hattiesburg First	-----	\$ 3,549.96
5—Calvary Tupelo	-----	\$ 3,462.09
6—Jackson First	-----	\$ 3,395.01
7—West Point First	-----	\$ 3,000.00
8—Grenada First	-----	\$ 2,951.15
9—Greenwood First	-----	\$ 2,576.82
10—Hattiesburg Main St.	-----	\$ 2,348.92
11—McComb First	-----	\$ 2,293.27
12—Picayune First	-----	\$ 2,033.16
13—Leland First	-----	\$ 1,951.10
14—Laurel First	-----	\$ 1,866.18
15—Canton First	-----	\$ 1,856.12
16—Brookhaven First	-----	\$ 1,729.70
17—Griffith Memorial	-----	
Jackson	-----	\$ 1,480.16
18—New Albany	-----	\$ 1,439.37
19—Prentiss	-----	\$ 1,352.79
20—Clinton First	-----	\$ 1,329.17
21—Corinth First	-----	\$ 1,204.45
22—Tylertown	-----	\$ 1,200.15
23—Columbus First	-----	\$ 1,191.90
24—Belzoni	-----	\$ 1,162.53
25—Crystal Springs	-----	\$ 1,066.68
26—Clarksdale	-----	\$ 1,054.60
27—Louisville	-----	\$ 1,050.00
28—Walnut Grove	-----	\$ 1,011.44
29—Columbia First	-----	\$ 1,010.52
30—Hazlehurst First	-----	\$ 1,000.02
31—Kosciusko First	-----	\$ 987.50
32—Drew	-----	\$ 980.58
33—Collins	-----	\$ 903.71
34—Pontotoc	-----	\$ 893.91
35—Forest	-----	\$ 885.00
36—Indianola	-----	\$ 802.07
37—Meridian Poplar Springs	\$ 779.37	
38—Meridian Fifteenth Ave.	\$ 767.92	
39—Gulfport First	-----	\$ 760.82
40—Calhoun City	-----	\$ 750.00
41—McComb Central	-----	\$ 736.04
42—Yazoo City	-----	\$ 706.15
43—Greenville First	-----	\$ 696.12
44—Quitman	-----	\$ 687.00
45—Salem (Covington)	\$ 661.09	
46—Lowrey Memorial	-----	\$ 637.84
47—Philadelphia First	-----	\$ 616.05
48—Holly Springs First	-----	\$ 613.21
49—Starkville	-----	\$ 600.00
49—Bay Springs	-----	\$ 600.00
50—Hollandale	-----	\$ 599.99
51—Laurel West	-----	\$ 575.51
52—Magee First	-----	\$ 566.65
53—Parkway Jackson	-----	\$ 545.06
54—Newton	-----	\$ 545.00
55—Aberdeen First	-----	\$ 497.62
56—Rolling Fork	-----	\$ 475.00
57—Sardis (Panola)	-----	\$ 474.10
58—Terry's Creek	-----	\$ 467.37
59—Webb	-----	\$ 450.00
59—Ripley	-----	\$ 450.00
60—Hattiesburg 5th Ave.	-----	\$ 440.00
61—Utica	-----	\$ 424.81
62—Meridian 8th Ave.	-----	\$ 420.59
63—Moss Point East	-----	\$ 420.00
64—Lucedale	-----	\$ 410.05
65—Northside Jackson	-----	\$ 402.70
66—Van Winkle	-----	\$ 393.00
67—Cleveland	-----	\$ 381.00
68—Laurel Second	-----	\$ 372.92
69—Union (Pearl River)	-----	\$ 368.60
70—Ackerman	-----	\$ 350.00
71—Batesville	-----	\$ 316.75
72—Pascagoula Lincoln Ave.	\$ 345.64	
73—Mt. Pleasant (Lincoln)	\$ 345.00	
74—Biloxi First	-----	\$ 344.83
75—Gloster Galilee	-----	\$ 342.62
76—Lumberton	-----	\$ 340.00
76—Liberty	-----	\$ 340.00
77—Booneville First	-----	\$ 321.50
78—Durant	-----	\$ 329.50
79—Oak Grove (Lauderdale)	\$ 325.00	
80—Briar Hill (Rankin)	-----	\$ 319.71
81—Amory	-----	\$ 317.25
82—Magnolia	-----	\$ 314.73
83—Meridian Highland	-----	\$ 313.00
84—Weir	-----	\$ 308.45
85—Moss Point First	-----	\$ 300.00
85—Meridian Southside	-----	\$ 300.00
85—Oxford First	-----	\$ 300.00
85—Flora	-----	\$ 300.00
85—Poplarville First	-----	\$ 300.00
85—Water Valley	-----	\$ 300.00
86—Merigold First	-----	\$ 275.00
86—McComb East	-----	\$ 275.00
87—Petal Harvey	-----	\$ 263.17
88—Byhalia	-----	\$ 250.00
88—Terry	-----	\$ 250.00
89—Tupelo Harrisburg	-----	\$ 249.22
90—Sumner	-----	\$ 246.45
91—Moorhead	-----	\$ 240.00
92—Pickens	-----	\$ 238.62
93—Ellisville First	-----	\$ 235.10
94—Vicksburg Bowmar Ave.	\$ 233.34	
95—Stonewall	-----	\$ 232.68
96—Lyon	-----	\$ 232.10
97—Union (Newton)	-----	\$ 230.30
98—Marks	-----	\$ 225.00
98—Osyka	-----	\$ 225.00
98—Kewanee	-----	\$ 225.00
99—Berwick	-----	\$ 222.55
100—Sunflower	-----	\$ 221.52

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## TOM GRAY'S DREAM

Tom Gray lay down on the bar-room floor,  
Having drunk so much he could drink no more;  
So he fell asleep with a troubled brain,  
To dream that he rode on a hell-bound train.  
The engine with blood was red and damp,  
And brilliantly lit with a brimstone lamp;  
An imp, for fuel was shoveling bones,  
While the furnace rang with a thousand groans.

The boiler was filled with lager beer;  
And the devil himself was the engineer.  
The passengers made up such a motley crew:  
Church member, atheist, Gentile and Jew,  
Rich men in broadcloth and beggars in rags,  
Handsome young ladies and withered old hags,  
Yellow and black men, red, brown and white,  
And all chained together—a horrible sight!

While the train dashed on at an awful pace,  
And a hot wind scorched them on hand and face.  
Wilder and wilder the country grew,  
As faster and faster the engine flew;  
Louder and louder the thunder crashed,  
And brighter and brighter the lightning flashed.  
Hotter and hotter the air became,  
Till the clothes were burned from each shivering frame.

Then in the distance there rose such a yell,  
Ha! ha! croaked the devil, we're nearing hell.  
Then, oh how the passengers shrieked with pain,  
And begged the devil to stop the train!  
But he capered about and sang with glee,  
And laughed and joked at their agony.  
My faithful friends, you have done my work,  
And the devil can never a pay-day shirk.

You have bullied the weak and robbed the poor,  
And a starving brother turned from your door;  
You have laid up gold where the canker rusts,  
And given free vent to your fleshly lusts;  
You have justice scorned and corruption sown,  
And trampled the laws of nature down;  
You have drunk and rioted, murdered and lied,  
And mocked at God in your hell-born pride.

You have paid full fare, so I'll carry you through,  
For it's only right you should get your due;  
Why, the laborer always expects his hire,  
So I'll land you safe in the Lake of Fire,  
Where your flesh will roast in the flames that roar,  
And my imps torment you more and more.

## THE INCOMPARABLE CHRIST

More than nineteen hundred years ago, there was a Man born contrary to the laws of life. This man lived in poverty and was reared in obscurity. He did not travel extensively. Only once did He cross the boundary of the country in which He lived; that was during His exile in childhood.

He possessed neither wealth nor influence. His relatives were inconspicuous, uninfluential, and had neither training nor education.

In infancy He startled a king; in childhood He puzzled doctors; in manhood He ruled the course of nature, walked upon the billows as if pravements, and hushed the sea to sleep.

He healed the multitudes without medicine and made no charge for His service.

He never wrote a book, and yet all the libraries of the country could not hold the books that have been written about Him.

He never wrote a song, and yet He has furnished the theme for more songs than all the song writers combined.

He never founded a college, but all the schools put together cannot boast of having as many students.

He never marshaled an army, nor drafted a soldier, nor fired a gun; and yet no leader ever had more volunteers who have, under His orders, made more rebels stack arms and surrender without a shot fired.

He never practiced medicine, and yet He has healed more broken hearts than all the doctors far and near.

Every seventh day the wheels of commerce cease their turning and multitudes wend their way to worshiping assemblies to pay homage and respect to Him.

The names of the past proud statesmen of Greece and Rome have come and gone. The names of the past scientists, philosophers, and theologians have come and gone; but the name of this Man abounds more and more. Though time has spread nineteen hundred years between the people of this generation and the scene of His crucifixion, yet He still lives. Herod could not destroy Him, and the grave could not hold Him.

He stands forth upon the highest pinnacle of heavenly glory, proclaimed of God, acknowledged by angels, adored by saints, and feared by devils, as the Living, Personal Christ, our LORD and SAVIOUR.—The Roadside Beacon.

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We are happy to receive two subscriptions to The Baptist Record from J. A. Bennett, now in the service of his country. One Baptist Record is to go to his mother at Vardaman, while the other is to go to him. Many Christian soldiers are enlisted in Uncle Sam's services.

Then Tom awoke with an agonized cry,  
His clothes soaked with sweat, his hair standing high,  
And he prayed as he never had prayed before,  
To be saved from drink and the devil's power;  
His prayers and his cries were not made in vain,  
For he never more rode on the hell-bound train.

—Unknown.

## BLUE MOUNTAIN GRADUATES NINE

Blue Mountain, Miss., Aug. 12—The August convocation of Blue Mountain College was held on the campus yesterday afternoon and Rev. A. B. Pierce, pastor of the First Baptist Church, New Albany, made the address. He took as his text the proverb, "Favor is deceitful and beauty is vain, but a woman who fears the Lord will be praised." The rites were opened with an invocation by Rev. C. S. Wales, followed with a vocal solo by Mrs. R. W. Griffith, accompanied by Mrs. J. E. Buchanan, Jr. After the address, Dean Ernest H. Cox presented the candidates for degrees which were conferred by President Lawrence T. Lowrey. Dorothy Flowers, Terry, and Doris Coggins, Baldwin, were ushers. Those receiving degrees were: Ruth Norton Bennett, Ripley; Vera Louise Cartledge, Winona; Louis Davis, Guntown; Lucile Fortenberry, Drew; Regina Gilder Lowry, Holly Springs; Elizabeth Norton, Ripley; Carrie Florence Strawn, Myrtle; Mary Viola Tunnell, Pontotoc, all of Mississippi, and Edna Earle Parker, of Jackson, Tennessee.

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**Friendship No. 2 church, Tallahatchie county, concluded a very helpful series of evangelistic services Friday night, July 30. The pastor of the church, Rev. J. H. Pennebaker, had as his assistant, Rev. Bruce Hilbun of Soso, one of the workers under our state board. In spite of the very hot weather the church was practically filled every evening and the morning services averaged between seventy-five and a hundred. Brother Hilbun's messages were delivered with directness and power, and at one of the morning services he brought a clear and pointed message on God's Plan of Church Finance. The church was greatly helped by the meeting, and there were eleven additions, nine of them for baptism.**

**A church bulletin gives this bit of satire: "A queer sort of family moved to town last week. They had children of school age, but they did not enroll them in school because the family was uncertain whether its stay would be a permanent one. They also refused to sign a lease for the same reason. They went on living without water, gas, and electricity, for not knowing how long they would stay there, they did not want to sign anything or make a deposit." Well, actually the only thing that new people neglect to do is to unite with a church.—Watchman-Examiner.**

**The Central Seminary, Kansas City, Kans., is paying marked honor to Dr. H. E. Dana, who has just closed his fifth year as president of that institution. Dr. Dana's period of service has been eminently successful, and the Seminary is constantly widening the circle of its influence. Dr. Dana was born in Vicksburg, Miss. He taught for years in the Southwestern Seminary, at Fort Worth, Texas. Through his constant ministry, he is becoming widely known to the churches of the Central West.—Watchman-Examiner.**

**Pastor E. S. Flynt, Second Baptist Church, Biloxi, writes in joyful testimony regarding the conversion and baptism of a father who had been far away from Christ. Two children and a relative came with him for baptism. Doxology!**



1. Jesus sent two of His disciples to "make ready the passover." These two had distinguishing names. Can you name them? • • •

2. Another Biblical stamp for your collection was issued by Hungary, honoring the man who translated the Bible into the Hungarian tongue. Who was he? • • •

3. How much was the "tribute money" which Peter found in the fish's mouth worth in terms of today's money? • • •

(Correct answers on Page 15.)

**On Friday night, July 20, there was a large gathering of members and friends of Gentilly Baptist Church of New Orleans to do honor to their pastor, Dr. W. W. Hamilton, on the occasion of his 50th anniversary in the ministry. Several speakers, friends who have been associated with him for many years, gave brief talks on various phases of his long career as a minister and educator. Dr. Hamilton was ordained in 1893 and served his first pastorate in Vinton, Virginia. After many years as a pastor he was appointed superintendent of evangelism on the Home Mission Board. Following this was another period of six years as pastor of the St. Charles Avenue Baptist Church in New Orleans, during which time the magnificent building the church now occupies was erected. In 1928 Dr. Hamilton was called to the presidency of the Baptist Bible Institute in New Orleans, a position which he occupied until his retirement last year. He also served as president of the Southern Baptist Convention for two years, 1939-41. Dr. Hamilton was called to the pastorate of the Gentilly Baptist Church January 10 of this year after having supplied the pulpit for about two months. The church is growing and developing rapidly under his wise council and guidance and is planning to enter upon an extensive building program immediately upon the removal of restrictions, presumably at the close of the war.—Roger M. Hickman, minister of music and education.**

**Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 9—(AP)—The Raleigh News and Observer announced yesterday an immediate freezing of its circulation because of the limitation on the use of paper. No new subscriber will be accepted until an old subscriber discontinues the paper, the announcement said. Dealers and carriers will continue to receive the same number of copies. (We print this as a reminder to those who intend to subscribe. Don't wait too late.—Editor.)**

**The nicest and most thoughtful compliment any church can pay its pastor, is for the folks to say, "That preacher won't be here long 'cause he PREACHES THE TRUTH." May God send more ministers to our churches who truly deserve such a generous, truthful reward for SERVICE. — The Pilgrim.**

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Thursday, August 19, 1943

## THE BAPTIST RECORD

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## Sunday School Lesson

Prepared by Hight C. Moore

Lesson for Aug. 22, 1943  
GOD GIVES LAWS FOR HIS PEOPLEExodus 19:24; Deuteronomy 11:18-21;  
Galatians 3:23-28; 5:13-14

To Israel at Sinai, gathered in awe on the little plateau trotted with their tents, God spoke from the abrupt height with cloudy cap, vivid with lightning and reverberant with thunder. First He revealed Himself as their God who had led them out of Egypt. Then He proclaimed the fundamentals of His law, embodying in the first table four commandments defining duties to man.

These laws have never been abrogated as Jesus asserted in the Sermon on the Mount; but He extended their meaning and application while fulfilling in Himself all the messianic symbols and ceremonies. In his letter to the Galatians, Paul speaks of the Law as a schoolmaster to bring us to Christ so that by faith in Him we may be justified.

**Lesson Text and Outline**  
Exodus 23:1-9; Galatians 3:23-28;  
5:13-14

I. Law Defining Duty (Exodus 23).  
II. Law Bringing to Christ (Galatians 3).

II. Law Fulfilling in Love (Galatians 5).

## Notes Analytical and Expositor

1. Right is required by law. What Moses enacted in this paragraph may be stated in these imperatives: (1) Do not start or spread any false report or unfounded rumor. (2) Do not join a wicked witness in his untrue and malicious testimony. (3) Do not advocate or approve any cause that is hurtful, however popular. (4) Do not through pity favor a poor man when his plea is unjust. (5) Do not fail to rescue and return a straying or suffering beast even when his owner is your enemy. (6) Do not wrest the judgment of the poor, or "you must never tamper with a poor man's rights in court" (Moffatt). (7) Do not allow or engage in inflicting injury involving perjury, execution of the innocent, or acquittal of the guilty. (8) Do not take a bribe or fee that would blind the wise and pervert the words of the righteous, or "destroy the case of a good man" (Moffatt). (9) Do not take advantage of a stranger by maltreatment or neglect. Remember your own experiences as a stranger in a strange land.

2. Faith is revealed after law. When faith in Christ was not yet revealed but was in prospect, "we were confined by the Law and kept under custody" (Moffatt). But Christ has come and we are justified by faith in Him so that we are no longer held as "wards in discipline." So Paul is calling for a worldwide fellowship in faith. The equality of believers in Christ is asserted with cumulative

emphasis. National distinctions are leveled in the spiritual realm, for the strict Jew saved out of his religious ceremonies stood on the same footing as the liberal Greek saved out of his cultured paganism. Social distinctions are wiped out when the soul appears before God, for slave and master, bondmen and freemen, are alike eligible and accountable. Even sex distinctions, though ordained from creation to consummation, are obliterated in the duties and privileges of the Christian life common to each and all. Indeed, all who accept Christ as Saviour and Lord are so unified and identical that they are described as one and the same man in Christ Jesus. And since they belong to Christ, they become through Him racially and spiritually children of Abraham and so heirs of all the promises made to the pious patriarch. Thus Christ is the sufficient Saviour of all men and the efficient Saviour of those who believe.

3. Love is released from law. The brotherhood of men lies at the base of our social structure. The brotherhood of believers is brotherhood at its best. Christians have heard the call of God to freedom. They are free not only from the enslaving shackles of sin, but also from the slavish ceremonies of Pharisaism. They are the freest of the free, having not only civil and religious liberty, but also liberty intellectual and spiritual, social and personal. Yet liberty is not license. It has and must have its limitations. It must be unselfish so that it will not minister to our baser nature. It must be philanthropic so that it will be harnessed to the car of common good. It must inspire a life of service, and all this means that liberty is impossible without love. Even our own liberty as well as the liberty of others is conditioned upon our love for our neighbors. If we love them as we love ourselves, we shall fulfill the law. Far from biting and devouring one another to our mutual disaster, we will protect each other from harm and promote each other's welfare.

The Lesson of the Lesson  
Laws for Living

(1) **The Law of Right.** "Thou shalt . . . thou shalt not." Right is right and wrong is wrong. God speaks, and He is inerrant. Man hears, and he should heed. Conscience assents to the word and will of God. Do right!

(2) **The Law of Faith.** "That we might be justified by faith . . . ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus." To do right we must be right. And we cannot be right or get right and go right without faith in Jesus Christ as our Saviour and Lord. It is thus we become the very children of God. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

(3) **The Law of Fellowship.** "Ye are all one in Christ Jesus." Here is the finest fellowship on earth and the foretaste of the fellowship in heaven. There is no other oneness worth the name. For everybody to be one in Christ—that is the unity for which He prayed and that is the goal which we should strive to attain.

(4) **The Law of Liberty.** "Ye have been called unto liberty." There is freedom from the consequences of sin. There is freedom from the dominion of sin. There is freedom to serve God. There is freedom to do good to men. Think of the marvelous light and liberty of the gospel.

## ABOVE EVERY NAME

Socrates taught for forty years, Plato for fifty, Aristotle for forty, and Jesus for only three; yet those three years infinitely transcend in influence the combined one hundred and thirty years of the teaching of Socrates, Plato and Aristotle, three of the greatest men of all antiquity.

Jesus painted no pictures; yet the paintings of Raphael, Michelangelo and Leonardo da Vinci received their inspiration from Him.

Jesus wrote no poetry; but Dante, Milton and scores of the world's greatest race of men is the salvation of the

(5) **The Law of Restraint.** "Use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh." Liberty should not be selfish. Liberty does not mean license. The flesh must be fettered. Wrong desire must be checked. Harmful action must be curbed. All our powers must be properly controlled and directed.

(6) **The Law of Service.** "By love serve one another." If we are servants of Christ, we also serve our fellow men. We ought to do them good and only good. We ought to help and not hinder them. We ought to lift them up and not drag them down.

(7) **The Law of Love.** "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." No other motive power is equal to love. Nothing else can so lift the whole of life to higher ground. It is the one tie that binds men together in blessed unbroken fellowship. Not unless we love our fellow men will we sacrifice for their welfare.

## Gold in the Golden Text

Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy strength, and with all thy mind; and thy neighbour as thyself. Luke 10:27.

Here are the two great commandments summarizing the whole of human duty Godward and manward. (1) The first requires supreme love to God. It is a love from the whole heart, gathering into one all the strands of affection. It is a love dominating the entire soul as the seat of the will. It is a love absorbing the whole mind, bringing the rays of intelligence to a focus in burning love.

And it is a love twining together every strand of our strength for the expression of that love in every way possible. (2) The second is built on the same basis. The love which reaches upward to God is sure to reach outward to man. And as love to God summarizes the first table of the Law (four commandments), so love to man summarizes the second table of the Law (six commandments). Thus love, love only and love alone, fulfills the Law.

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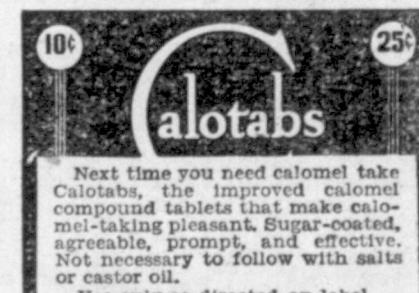
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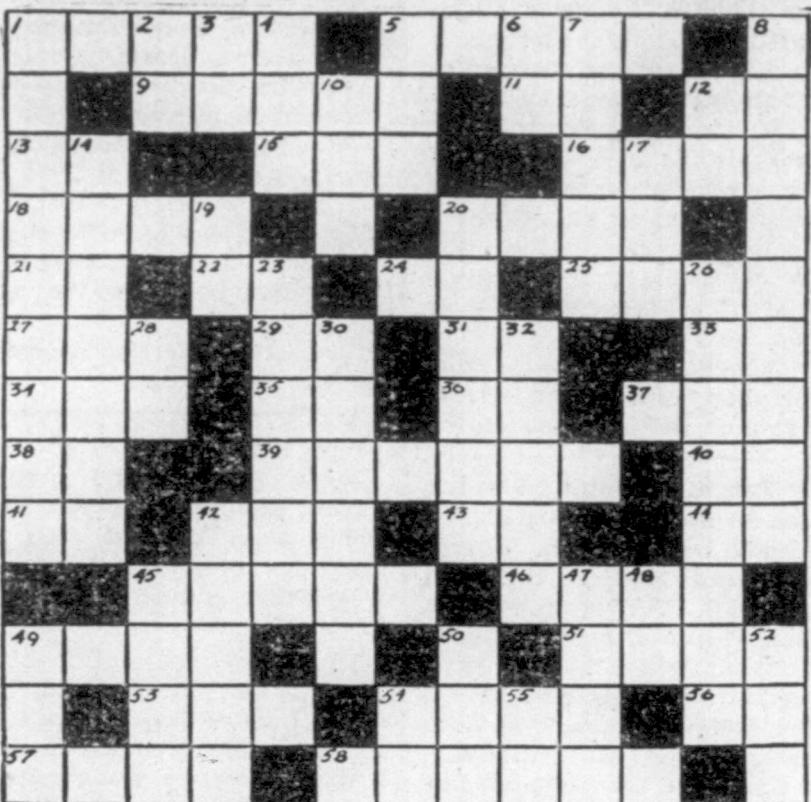
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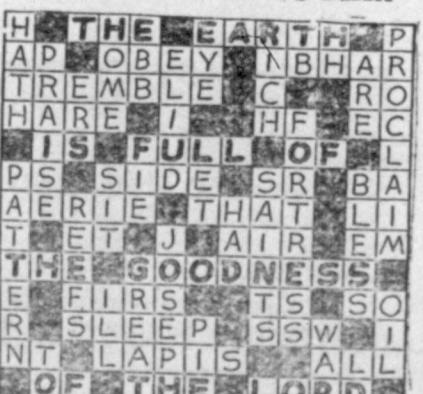
"For after that in the wisdom of God, the world by wisdom knew not God, it pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe." —I Cor. 1:21.

## PREACHING AND TEACHING

## ACROSS

1 "it is the . . . of God" I Cor. 1:18.  
 5 ". . . things teach and exhort," I Tim. 6:2.  
 9 "I will . . . you the fear of the Lord," Ps. 34:11.  
 11 "Lord . . . in thy truth and teach . . ." Ps. 25:5.  
 12 A Benjamite, I Chron. 7:12.  
 13 Combining form indicating time.  
 15 "hath in . . . times manifested his word through preaching," Titus 1:3.  
 16 Received (Fr.).  
 18 A Chaldee word meaning "father," Rom. 8:15.  
 20 "teach us . . . we shall do," Judges 13:8.  
 21 Civil service.  
 22 Mother.  
 24 Psalm beginning, "I will sing of mercy and judgment."  
 25 Mohammedan judge.  
 27 ". . . sins, which are many, are forgiven" Luke 7:47.  
 29 Teacher's guild.  
 31 Compass point.  
 33 ". . . we say, of men," Luke 20:6.  
 34 Priest to David II Sam. 20:26.  
 35 "Lord, teach us . . . pray," Luke 11:1.  
 36 "whosoever shall . . . and teach them," Matt. 5:19.  
 37 High-priest and judge of Israel, I Sam. 14:3.  
 38 New version.  
 39 On the shore.  
 40 Indian empire.  
 41 Germanium.  
 42 Chirp.  
 43 Doctor of medicine.  
 44 Grand duke.  
 45 Hebrew weight, Ezek. 45:12.  
 46 "by the foolishness of preaching to . . . them," I Cor. 1:21.  
 49 Instigate.  
 51 Harm.  
 53 "Teach me . . . way, O Lord," Ps. 27:11.  
 54 "and . . . teach you what ye shall

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Southern Baptists' quota for the army was filled by January 1, 1943. We are asked to furnish an additional 96 by January 1.

An overseas chaplain writes, "I will be sent back to the states soon. A diagnosis of my condition is exhaustion. This has broken my heart as my work was going nicely. One of the saddest things here is the shortage of chaplains in the frontlines and the men want the Gospel so much. I have a wife and five children and want to see them but I am sitting here crying because I must leave these men. My fellow ministers will answer this challenge when they realize the serious need of these men in the front lines."

The Southern Baptist quota for the navy is far from filled. One chaplain states, "The greatest opportunity I have had in the ministry has been aboard this combat ship. We have as many men aboard as a moderate sized town has population. Our services are attended in large numbers, overflowing our quarters, to the extent we use the public address system to reach men in other compartments. I often wonder why some of our pastors stay clear of the navy chaplaincy. It is detrimental to our tens of thousands of Southern Baptist men in the navy."

## PITH AND POINT

If there were less quarreling among the ninety and nine, the shepherd would have more time to find the one lost sheep.

The man who is living only for himself is engaged in a very small business.

Remember that many people will set their watches by your clock.

People who have no charity for the faults of others are generally stone blind to their own.

If you don't go to church SUNDAY when do you go?—Bellevue Church Bulletin, Memphis, Tenn.

Gainesville, Ga.—A long-expressed wish was granted when Rev. Gilliam Jasper Souther, 64, well-known Baptist minister, died Saturday night in the pulpit of the New Liberty Baptist Church, near Blairsville, following a heart attack. Members of his family stated that he had often said it was his desire that he be taken while in the midst of a revival service. He had just concluded his sermon and was talking to converts when stricken.

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## A BOY'S PRAYER

He was once a mere little tot,  
(Whether he remembers it or not.)  
He was so innocent and sweet—  
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He used to like to run and play  
And dreaded the close of every day.  
He used to like his little toy gun,  
Played cops and robbers—ran in the sun.

And at the close of every day  
He'd lie in his bed and say,  
"Now I lay me down to sleep,  
I pray the Lord my soul to keep."

Well, this little boy was happy then  
But life had much in store for him.

And now he's grown to be a man,  
And fights with a real gun in his hand.  
Now to his mother he's big and strong—  
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No longer does he lie in a little bed,  
But on a bunk or a cot instead.  
This game now is not for fun,  
Blood, cold and bullets replace the sun.

No longer does he dread the close of day,  
But still at the end of it—he does say,  
"If I should die before I wake,  
I pray the Lord my soul to take."

—Lillian Jackson, Raymond, Miss.

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"Not all the bombs of all the oppressors could destroy the church of the living God, enshrined in the hearts of the people."—Governor J. N. Broughton of North Carolina.

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NAZIS THREATEN DESTRUCTION OF HISTORIC NORSE CHURCH

Stockholm (By Cable) (RNS)—The Nazi authorities in Norway have threatened to destroy the historic church at Soerreisa, used since last winter to store munitions, in order to make room for German fortifications, according to a report here.

In the hope that they may be able to save their church, parishioners have sent a telegram to the German custodian of antiquities in Norway, urging him to oppose the suggested plan.

It is learned that the church in Narvik which was used, among other purposes, as a wine cellar by the occupation authorities has again been opened for divine worship. The basement of the church, however, continues to be used as a storeroom. (Allied fliers endeavored to spare churches in Rome.—Editor.)

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Rev. H. D. Jordan, who recently resigned the pastorate at Morton, has accepted the call at Bunker Hill, Marion county. This is one of the best full-time churches of Mississippi. It is not often that a pastor is recalled after resigning a church.

Mississippi is well represented in the Baptist Sunday School Board publication for September. Mrs. L. R. Williams, Training Union director of Griffith Memorial, Jackson, has an interesting article entitled "The Study Course Has Helped Us." Griffith Memorial has the largest Training Union work in the state. Dr. Charles S. Henderson, pastor of the First church, Greenville, "On Thinking With the Superintendent With the Pupil Problems," and a second article on "We Promote Visitation." "Clinics Can Be Fun," was written by Mrs. Charles H. Dean, teacher, U.S.A. class, First Baptist Sunday school, Jackson.

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First Church, Jackson	782	210
Calvary, Jackson	720	191
Parkway	361	
Griffith Memorial	594	260
Louisville	255	39
Olive Branch	70	50
Wallerville	70	49
Batesville	92	42
New Albany First	412	115
Ackerman	90	20
Crystal Springs	363	126
August 8		
Friendship No. 2	120	68
BR—		

The following have recently visited the Baptist Record office: Rev. B. E. Phillips, New Hebron; Rev. O. U. Rushing, Jackson; Rev. B. E. Padgett, Clinton; L. E. Holley, Waynesboro; Rev. Harold Douglas, Mathiston; Mrs. E. B. Bowman, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.; Miss Joy Bowman, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.; Dr. and Mrs. Walter L. Johnson, Philadelphia; Kathleen Johnson, Philadelphia; Paul Johnson, Philadelphia; Mrs. Clovis Putnam, Philadelphia; Rev. M. P. Jones, Hazlehurst; Rev. R. W. Porter, Lambert; Rev. W. F. Sandifer, Wesson; Nell Taylor, Florence; Rev. C. M. Day, Liberty; Rev. O. C. Chance, Harrisville; and Rev. Luther A. Harrison, Oklahoma City.

An expression of gratitude is in order for the fine fellowship I have enjoyed during the past four weeks. Serving in revival meetings in Bethel Church, Copiah County; Harland's Creek, Holmes; Pleasant Ridge, Attala; and Rocky Springs, Yazoo. I have been privileged to work with Brethren M. P. Jones, D. I. Young, Jr., F. A. Lummus and Robert I. Martin, pastors, respectively, of these churches. In each case wise and prayerful preparation had been made and the people were found to be in close harmony with their spiritual leaders. All the churches are sharing in our glorious mission work represented in the Cooperative Program. Most of the people are reading the Baptist Record. All are enlarging their programs in line with the larger vision and increased resources of the members. Twenty-five professions of faith for the month, with several others by letter and statement were among the visible fruits of our labors, but the new friendships formed and the rich experiences shared cannot be tabulated or measured. I feel that my own spiritual life has been immeasurably enriched. — B. Frank Smith, Durant.

## Death of Mrs. J. R. Saunders:

A cablegram from Dr. J. R. Saunders, sent from Bombay, India, reported the death of Mrs. Saunders on July 23, 1943. She died suddenly after a heart attack. Dr. and Mrs. Saunders, formerly of Shiu Chow, Kwangtung, were on their way to the United States to retire from active service. Details have not been received. Their only daughter, Mary Lucille Saunders, is also a missionary of this Board and is interned in Shanghai.—Foreign Mission Board.

Letter from Rex Ray: A letter from Rex Ray, Wuchow, Kwangsi, written on June 1st after the meeting of the South China Mission says: "Just before we adjourned we got the cable telling about the plans to return 13 of our missionaries. What glorious news! We have prayed long for their return and we shall now pray for their safe journeys. I want to tell you of a scene here on the Kweilin compound some two days ago. Some of our U.S.A. airmen called on us. They were a living specimen of what U. S. sunshine, food and health can make of God's creatures called men. Standing in the circle were Drs. Saunders, Beddoe and Cauthen, also Eausum and myself. Compared with those rosy-cheeked U. S. aviators our missionaries looked like a crew of bloodless ghosts standing beside them. And then yesterday when I received my new passport pictures I realized I looked about as horrible as my brethren. So I don't think our returning missionaries will get to us very much too soon. And praise the Lord they are coming. I don't think there ever was a time when the Lord blessed His preached Gospel as He does now in Free China. Pray for us and send us all the preachers you can soon. I'm soon to start on my 8th year of war experiences. Wouldn't mind see Texas after I see others here to carry on the Lord's Gospel preaching. The Lord gave us some 14 conversions Sunday night when I tried to witness for Him here in the Kweilin church."

—Foreign Mission Board.

W. A. (Slick) Green, of Waynesboro, will be in a meeting at Oakvale the week of August 22. A good revival is anticipated.

The annual revival meeting began at Black Jack church, Yazoo county, August 8, and will continue through August 20. Dr. J. D. Franks of Columbus is assisting the pastor, Dr. A. A. Kitchings.

Answers To  
Know Your Bible

Feature on Page Twelve.

1. (Sent two disciples): Their names were John (Boanerges, meaning "Son of Thunder"; also known as the "disciple whom Jesus loved"). The other was Peter (Simon Barjona), and "upon this rock (Petros) I will build my church."

2. (Biblical stamp): Gaspar Karolyi translated the Bible into Hungarian in 159. His picture showing him at work appears on the stamp. He chiseled the letters out of wood.

3. (Tribute money): According to authorities the money was either a silver "stater" or a "half-shekel" and would be worth today about 30 cents.

4. (Custom of shaking hands): In Proverbs 2:21, we read "Though hand join in hand, the wicked shall not be unpunished." The Hebrew translation of "hand join in hand" is really "hand to hand," and meant the clasping of (or the shaking of) hands, meant the ratification of an agreement (contract or pledge), as one commentator, referring to the revised version, quotes "My hand upon it!"

Rumors of repatriation: Rumors have been circulating to the effect that the exchange ships have sailed. This office has received no further information which would substantiate the rumors. On August 4th we wired the Committee on East Asia's secretary in New York inquiring into the matter and asking for any late news of repatriation. The reply received on August 5th states: "Exchange ships cannot sail under three weeks after public announcement.—Joe J. Mickle." The list of repatriates has not been released and the ships will not sail until they are.—Foreign Mission Board.

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**"LIQUOR CURFEWS" TIGHTENED BY STATES**

Chicago—Reflecting demands from church groups and others for more stringent liquor laws, legislation setting up "liquor curfews" or aimed at curbing juvenile delinquency featured state liquor legislation enacted this year.

According to a survey made public here by the Council of State Governments, Florida, Texas, North Carolina and Arkansas were among the states curbing the sale of liquor after certain hours, while Washington, Michigan and Arkansas took steps to prohibit sale of alcoholic beverages to minors.

Florida's new law closes bars from midnight to 7 a. m., and package stores from 8 p. m. and 7 a. m., while liquor sale on Sunday is prohibited entirely.

Under the Texas statute liquor sales are banned between midnight and 7 a. m. except on week-ends, when Saturday night sales must halt at 1 a. m. Sunday sales are permitted between 1 p. m. and midnight. A feature of the new Texas curfew law is that public consumption of liquor in tavern or bar must cease within 15 minutes after curfew to prevent the stocking up of drinks before sales are closed.

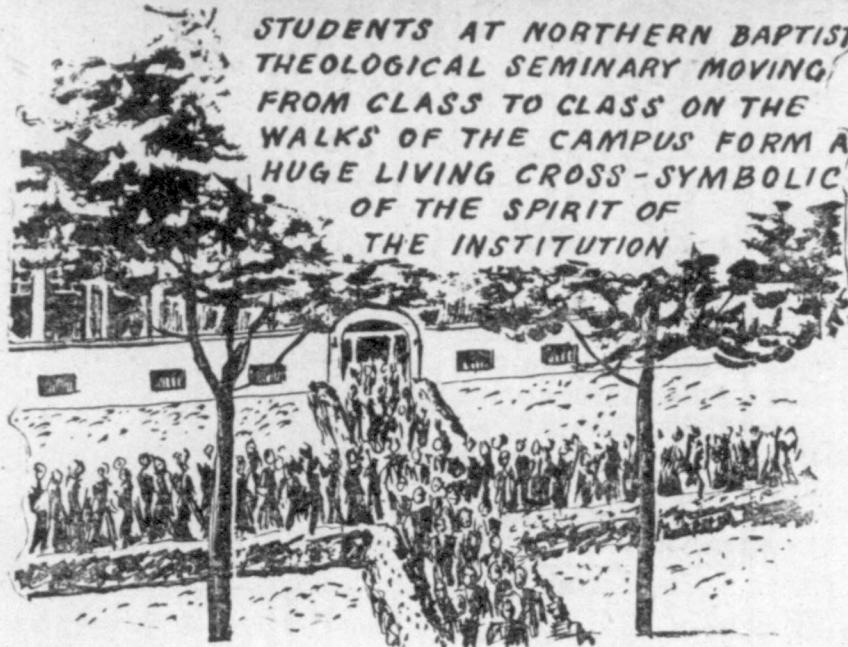
North Carolina prohibited sale of beer and wine between 11:30 p. m. and 7 a. m., with violators subject to fine of at least \$50, imprisonment of not less than 30 days, and revocation of license. Oklahoma banned sale of beer after midnight on weekdays and from 2 a. m. to noon on Sundays.

Contrary to the general trend, Wisconsin increased the number of hours liquor may be sold in Milwaukee county taverns.

Liquor shortages brought about adoption of a Virginia measure closing liquor stores at 6 p. m., making purchase of liquor difficult for many; enactment of an Ohio statute rationing sale of packaged liquor to consumers; and adoption of a Texas law prohibiting sale of bottled liquor between 9 p. m. and 7 a. m. and on Sunday.

Of new state laws enacted to help curb juvenile delinquency, Michigan's statute, effective Jan. 1, 1944, makes it a misdemeanor to sell liquor to minors except on prescription and prohibits sales to persons between 21 and 25 years of age unless they possess identification cards issued by the county clerk. Washington made it a misdemeanor for a minor to enter a place where intoxicating liquors are sold and for a tavern keeper to allow a minor to remain in his establishment. Arkansas fixes penalties for selling liquor to minors at \$100 to \$250 for the first offense, and \$250 to \$500 and imprisonment up to a year for subsequent offenses.

Other legislation dealing with alcoholic beverages includes a Missouri measure giving private citizens power to police law-violating taverns and beer parlors; New York's law prohibiting sale to habitual drunkards; Arizona's law banning sale on credit; Oklahoma's statute banning sale of beverages even with low alcoholic content on dance hall premises; and a second Arizona provision that instruction in the nature of alcohol and narcotics and their effect upon the human system be included in school courses.

**DO YOU KNOW THAT...**

**STUDENTS AT NORTHERN BAPTIST THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY MOVING FROM CLASS TO CLASS ON THE WALKS OF THE CAMPUS FORM A HUGE LIVING CROSS—SYMBOLIC OF THE SPIRIT OF THE INSTITUTION**

**RESOLUTIONS**

On Sunday evening, July 25, 1943, God in His infinite love and wisdom called home unto Himself our beloved brother, J. D. Lundy. Be it therefore resolved by the members of the Belzoni Baptist Church, on this day, August 11, 1943:

First: That in the death of Mr. J. D. Lundy, our church has lost a consecrated and faithful member who steadfastly manifested a deep concern for the church's spiritual and material progress, which concern sprang from his devotion to his Lord and his deep interest in His eternal kingdom.

Second: That his faithfulness to his post of duty as deacon, church clerk, Sunday school teacher, has been an inspiration and challenge to every officer of our church.

Third: That in his prolonged illness, as in his days of good health, he magnified Christ in his life; that the way he handled his suffering abides with us as a glowing demonstration of the power of faith; that in his way of living and dying he did "defend the faith."

Fourth: That the community has lost an upright Christian citizen who was a progressive leader and a firm supporter of every worthy cause.

Fifth: That by these resolutions every member of this church expresses his regret and sorrow on the passing of this good man. That we do hereby tender our heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Lundy, who tenderly and untiringly ministered to him through his long illness, and to each member of the family, and pledge them our prayers that the light of His countenance shine upon them and illuminate their lonely hours.

Sixth: That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon the pages of the church clerk's book; that a copy be furnished to the members of the family of our departed brother, and to The Baptist Record.

Respectfully submitted,  
C. A. MOLPUS,  
PAUL TOWNSEND,  
T. D. RICE.

**MRS. LULA MAE COCKROFT**

Blue Mountain—Funeral services for Mrs. Lula Mae Cockroft, 80, were conducted by Dr. Harry Leland Martin, Senatobia, her son-in-law. Burial was in the Forest Hill Cemetery by the side of her husband, the former Gen. S. L. Cockroft, who died many years ago. Mrs. Cockroft died in the home of Dr. and Mrs. Lawrence T. Lowrey where she had been an invalid for month and where she made her home most of the time since her retirement from active duty. She was a native of Tewbern, Tenn., a daughter of the late Dr. J. S. and Elizabeth Clements McCorkle of Newbern. There were eight children, and she outlived all of her brothers and sisters. She received her education in the schools of West Tennessee.

She married Gen. S. L. Cockroft, for 14 years attorney general of the Dyersburg district of West Tennessee. They had eight children, five of them surviving their mother. She lived in Blue Mountain for many years, where her children received their educational training. She later served for eleven years as a hostess of Blue Mountain College. She was for more than half a century a devout member of the Baptist church, taking an active part in the religious, social and intellectual life of her community.

Mrs. Cockroft is survived by five children: Mrs. Harry Leland Martin, wife of Dr. Harry Leland Martin, pastor of the First Baptist Church, Senatobia; Mrs. Lawrence T. Lowrey, past state president of the Mississippi Congress of Parents and Teachers and wife of Pres. L. T. Lowrey of Blue Mountain College; Mrs. T. N. Rice, Jackson, Tenn.; S. L. Cockroft, Jr., Memphis business man, and Lieut. William B. Cockroft, Memphis dentist and now in the armed services.—David E. Guyton.

Blue Mountain College annuity bonds pay from 2 1/2 to 7%.

**INDICTMENT OF PROFANITY**  
By A. L. Roth

A Chinese proverb reads, "He who strikes first acknowledges that he has run out of ideas," which reminds us of the comment that he who resorts to swearing and habitual profanity demonstrates that he has a limited vocabulary. We can well foresee that in time of war, with its accompanying strain on people's nerves, it may be more difficult to preserve and promote decency of speech. Scarcely anybody defends swearing as a gentlemanly practice or a good habit. It is usually the reflection of a bad mood, lack of refinement, of poor upbringing, lack of reverence for sacred things, or of a weak conformity to an unfavorable environment. Too often it is the uncovering of the moral cesspool within the soul of the person.

A Christian business man of Pittsburgh once had a business card on the reverse side of which was the following: "The man who swears does ten things at once: 1. He breaks the third of the Ten Commandments. 2. He violates the law of the land. 3. He transgresses the rules of good manners. 4. He outrages decency. 5. He insults good people. 6. He profanes sacred things. 7. He does what in his better moments he is ashamed of. 10. He does what he will one day regret, for God will not hold him guiltless who taketh the name of the Lord in vain."—Watchman-Examiner.

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**CHURCHES GAIN IN MEMBERSHIP**

Church membership in the United States has increased by nearly three million since 1941, according to the Year Book of American Churches, just published under the auspices of the Federal Council of Churches. There is recorded a grand total of 67,327,719 church members, as compared with 64,501,594 in 1941. An all-time high in the number of religious bodies is also reported: 256 in 1943, as against 250 in 1941. Baptists are the largest free church group in the country, with a total of over 10,500,000. The Methodist church is next with 6,640,424. Ninety-seven per cent of the church members in the Continental United States are included in fifty-two religious bodies with 50,000 or more members. The remaining three per cent are affiliated with the 204 bodies. Church members thirteen years of age and over numbered 54,890,044, or more than eighty-one per cent of the total of 67,327,719 members. In 1941, the number of members of thirteen years of age and over was 25,405,659. This is a great composite of Christianity and ought to count for something in the life of our nation and in its service to the world. After computing these very large numbers, let us see to it that individual devotion is brought to the highest pitch.—Christian Century.

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The Southern Baptist Convention "minutes" for 1943 have been mailed to all messengers who attended the San Antonio Convention, 1942. The 1943 volume carries reports of all the agencies of the Convention, just as they would have appeared if we had held a Convention this year. Those who did not attend the San Antonio Convention, and who desire a copy of the 1943 reports, should write Secretary McCall.